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SCIENTISTS: Monterey pine not 'threatened'

By PAUL MILLER

SACRAMENTO — A PETITION to bring the Monterey pine under the control of California's Endangered Species Act is coming under withering criticism from the state's preeminent tree scientists, who are unanimous that the plentiful tree is in no danger of extinction in its native range.

In a series of interviews this week, the scientists — bristling with Ph.D.s in disciplines such as forest ecology, forest genetics and plant pathology, and who have extensively studied the Monterey pine and its pitch canker nemesis for years — said worries about California's Monterey pines being wiped out by the pitch canker epidemic are exaggerated. All urged the California Fish and Game Commission not to declare the tree a "threatened species."

Their comments stand in stark contrast to the claims of some of Monterey County's political leaders who have asked the commission to approve a petition from the Monterey County Chapter of the California Native Plant

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Sue McCloud challenges White for mayor

By TAMARA GRIPPI

DECLARING THAT Carmel needs to focus on the "real issues challenging the city," Councilwoman Sue McCloud announced she will challenge Ken White for mayor in the April 11 municipal election.

"It's always hard to run against a very personable mayor," McCloud said. "But I've been approached by a number of people who asked that I consider it. It's time for a change. We need to focus on what our objectives are."



Sue McCloud

The contest will be the first seriously competitive race for the mayor's job in Carmel since 1992, when White beat 82-year-old Barney Laiolo by 158 votes.

Budget top priority

McCloud's top issue is the budget. She argued that in order to address some of the major issues facing Carmel — including huge deferred maintenance bills — the city needs to adopt a three-year budget instead of the one-year plan it currently uses.

"The budget is driving the policy — the policy isn't driving the budget," McCloud said. She wants the council to set priorities for the city and then make sure those top needs are funded.

In December, McCloud submitted a proposal for the three-year budget — an idea that is being studied by the city's finance committee.

The city also needs to address some of the changing dynamics that will affect the future of Carmel, McCloud said.

"Between April 1998 and December 1999 we lost 520 voters in Carmel," she said, indicating that the city is changing and its leaders need to take stock.

The city's financial picture is also changing, she said. "We have flat revenues in a strong economy and growth is going on all around us."

Because of flat revenues, the council has been under pressure to provide an additional $700,000 a year to the city coffers just to keep up with ongoing expenses. In recent months, it has been considering such money-making options as rais-

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ONLY IN CARMEL:

Hit-and-run charges may be filed on behalf of tree

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL'S LATEST hit-and-run victim will never be able to testify in court, because it is a tree.

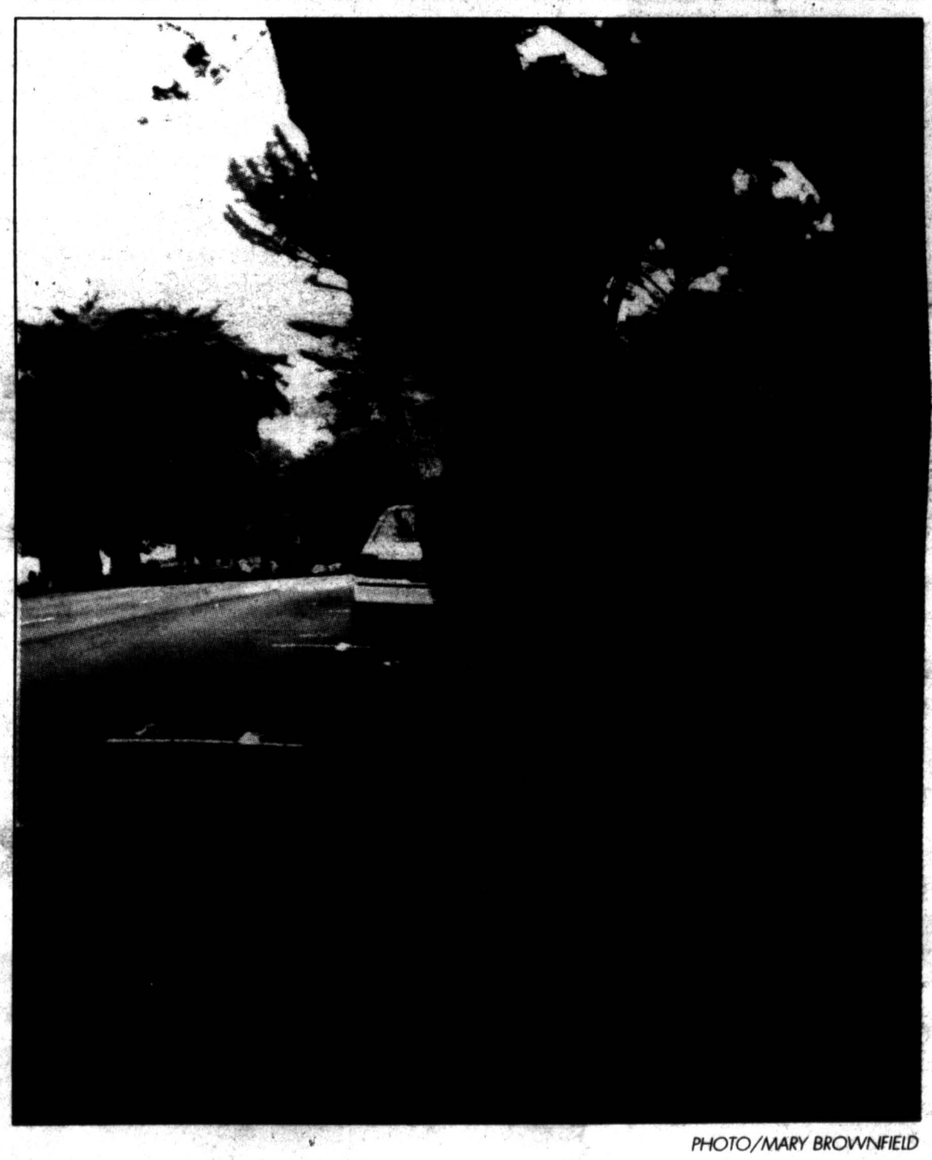
Toots Lagoon owner Ed Johnson, who had been celebrating his birthday the evening of Jan. 10, got an unpleasant gift on his way home: He ran smack-dab into a Monterey pine on San Carlos.

The car was so badly damaged that a front wheel, completely askew, left a black skid mark all the way up the street for almost a mile to his Lobos house.

"He was driving north, reached down to the passenger floorboard to pick up his cell phone and drifted into the tree," said Carmel Police Corporal Steve Rana, who investigated the accident the next morning. "And then he backed up and left eight-tenths of a mile of front wheel drag to his residence."

The fact that Johnson left without telling a soul may cause him even more agony than bashing the front of his Lexus — Carmel police have sent the report off to the district attorney, which may decide to

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PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

A gently leaning Monterey pine on San Carlos was left scarred after a Carmel resident hit it on his drive home while reaching for his cell phone.

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Sunset project already has $9 million

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

SUNSET THEATER stage was an appropriate setting for a dramatic press conference announcement made Thursday morning, Jan. 13: The Sunset Theater project fundraising campaign has already taken in $9 million in donations with a promise of $2.4 million in challenge grants.

With stage rigging as a backdrop, William Doolittle, chairman of the Campaign for Sunset committee of Sunset Center for the Arts, announced, "We have reached $11.4 million toward a goal of $16.5 million."

The campaign began last July.

Doolittle said the City of Carmel's pledge of $5 million for the project, and $4 million from the private sector — including a $1 million gift from the Packard Foundation — when added to a $2 million challenge grant from the Packard Foundation and a $400,000 challenge grant from an anonymous local philanthropist, leaves only $5.2 million to be raised.

The David & Lucile Packard Foundation's grant "symbolizes their tremendous belief in how much the arts are needed in the community," Doolittle said.

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PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

Davis Factor (right) and William Doolittle announced Thursday from the Sunset stage that private sector/city donations added to challenge grants have achieved 68 percent of the fundraising goal.

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Board OKs minuscule improvement for Hwy 1

By MARY BROWNFIELD

REITERATING THAT the Hatton Canyon Freeway project is dead and something else needs to be done to improve traffic congestion on Highway 1 in Carmel, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously 4 to 0 — Supervisor Edith Johnsen was absent — to approve two projects designed to widen the intersection of Highway 1 and Ocean Avenue.

The two improvements include extending a 1,200-foot merge lane on southbound Highway 1 from Ocean Avenue and lengthening a 180-foot right-turn lane from southbound Highway 1 onto westbound Ocean Avenue.

Some residents decried the proposed improvements as unreasonable solutions to traffic troubles that could only be solved by reviving the Hatton Canyon Freeway project.

George Ferguson said the projects include a "long list of inadequacies" and that they are "illegal, unsafe and should be rejected outright." Narrow lanes, the elimination of bike and pedestrian rights-of-way and pruning of Monterey pines that might threaten the lives of the trees were all causes for denial, he said.

Others said the extended merge lane would trap Highway 1 residents in their driveways. "Putting this so-called improvement in place is not the answer," said attorney Christine Gianascol, representing the group Citizens for Hatton Canyon.

But the county encouraged the improvements years ago in its congestion management plan, according to Carmel Valley attorney Fran Farina, and Tom Gray said it was "incumbent upon the board to let Caltrans proceed with improvements that were part of a deficiency plan adopted four or five years ago."

Builder Alan Williams told the supervisors, "The Hatton Canyon Freeway didn't happen and the county now has an obligation to make sure these improvements get put in place."

Opponents said the county would be violating the California Environmental Quality Act if it allowed improvements to the highway to be made piecemeal, rather than as part of a package.

In response, consultant Denise Duffy, who often works on Environmental Impact Reports, said the county had fulfilled its environmental review obligations.

"I think all the process has been followed," she said. "When the deficiency plan was adopted in '94, that was the time to address whether or not the package should be approved. I think the county is obligated to follow the plan."

Supervisor Dave Potter made the motion to approve the changes, and Supervisor Judy Pennycook seconded it.

Supervisor Lou Calcagno, a Hatton Canyon Freeway supporter who had opposed the operational improvements when he was on the planning commission, said the demise of the freeway project changed his outlook.

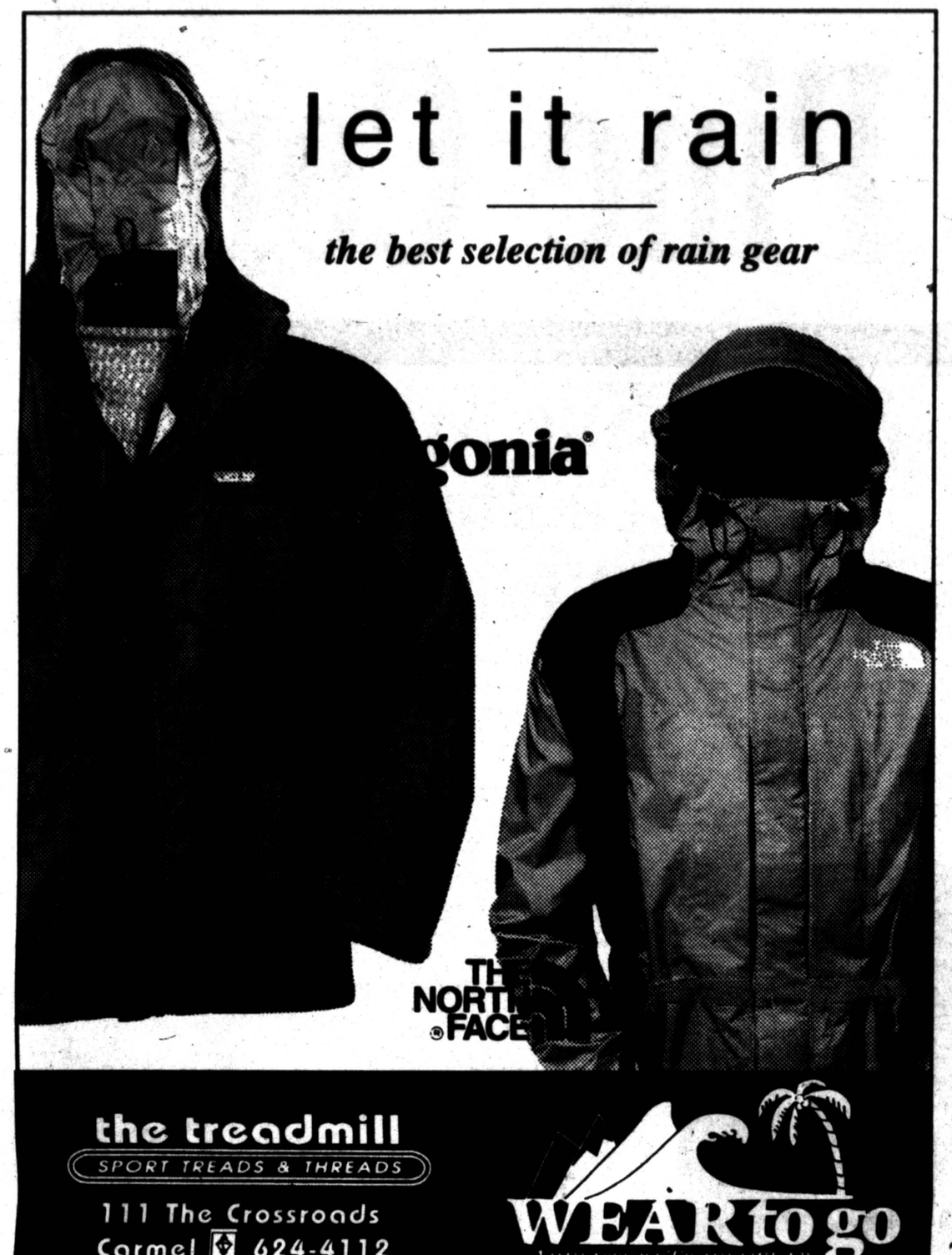
"The situation that was in front of the planning commission was completely different," he said. "I will vote to support the improvements."

"I think the points have been very well made as to why we need to move forward," Potter said. "The significant change is the defunding of the Hatton Canyon Freeway, and we are in complete violation of the deficiency plan," which he said must now be implemented.

Unsung heroes sought

THE CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA City Council is searching for our village's unsung heroes — those who quietly provide valuable services or do good deeds without payment or public recognition and make life in the greater Carmel area better through their acts of kindness and generosity. Nominees may not be people elected, appointed or employed by the city.

Carmel has recognized its Unsung Heroes since 1990. Applications are due by Jan. 31, and can be dropped off at City Hall or mailed to P.O. Box CC, Carmel CA 93921. The heroes and heroines will be honored by the mayor and city council at the March 7 council meeting.

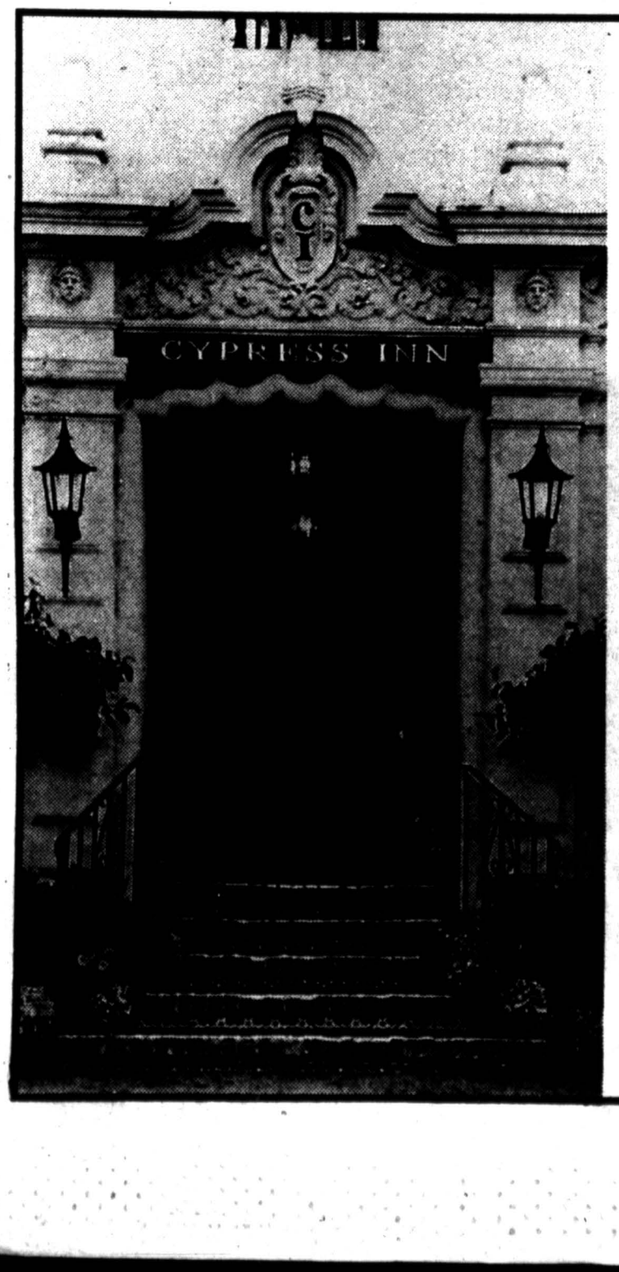


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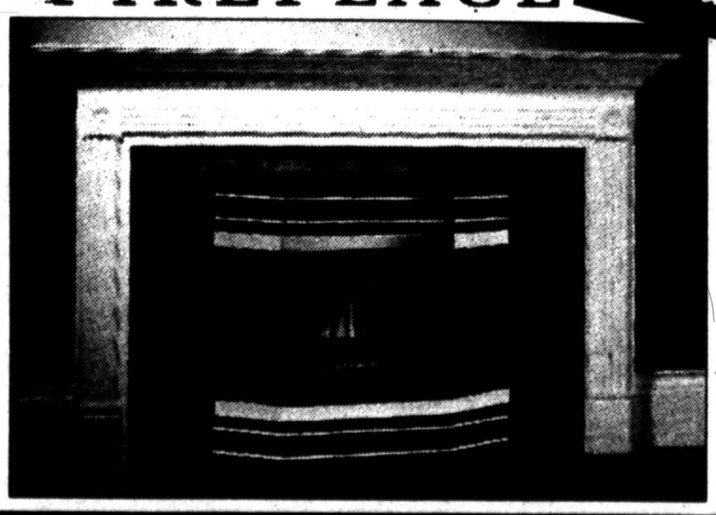


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A fire originating in the engine compartment of a 1995 Chrysler Concorde consumed much of the front end, including the area around the driver's seat. It took the Carmel Fire Department only moments to respond and douse the flames.

Parked car spontaneously combusts

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A 1995 Chrysler Concorde mysteriously burst into flames soon after it was parked on Fourth Avenue near Dolores Street Jan. 4.

The Carmel Fire Department quickly responded, dousing the flames with an estimated 150 gallons of water and breaking

*See **SPONTANEOUS** page 9A*



PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

This overloaded lift truck was "lifted" the wrong way when the arm crashed to the ground, sending the back end of the truck into the air.

Forklift at Junipero project topples from overload

By TAMARA GRIPPI

A STRANGE-looking lift truck tried a bit too hard this week and ended up toppling over, lifting its driver up in the air.

The incident happened Jan. 10 at the Lexor Builders construction site at Junipero and Fourth.

"It looked as if they were trying to lift a pallet full of 2-by-12s and the weight, coupled with the extension of the arm of the crane and the angle of the road, caused the crane to topple over and put it on end," said Carmel Police Corporal Steve Rana.

The driver — who was not injured — was able to put the vehicle in neutral and jump down safely.

Carmel Chevron was called in to pull the cab back down to earth. Construction workers removed much of the wood from the arm of the forklift before tow truck driver Stewart Hopkins used cables to put the vehicle back on its wheels.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

'No, YOU take out the garbage!'

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Alarm at a camera store continually being activated. Exterior secure. Alarm company notified.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted two juvenile skateboarders and advised them to watch for cars while skateboarding. No violation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of two dogs barking at a Scenic residence. Contacted the dogs in the patio. The residents were not home. Note left.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle found parked blocking a driveway at Junipero and Eighth. Attempts to contact the registered owner were negative. Vehicle towed at request of resident.

Carmel area: San Juan Road resident reported that during the night her fence was bent by unknown person. No damage was done.

Pebble Beach: Los Angeles resident reported losing her diamond earrings and necklace in her room at the Lodge.

Carmel area: A Cabrillo Street couple had an argument about talking out their trash. The couple agreed to work out their differences.

Carmel area: A Carmel man reported people were harassing him about a gambling debt.

Carmel area: Sixteenth Avenue resident called 911 and then hung up because she was stressed out about her in-laws. Contacted her husband, who confirmed that she was stressed out, but did not know why she had called 911. Both subjects were very intoxicated.

Carmel area: Vehicle matching a description for one suspected of DUI was stopped at Highway 1 and Ocean Avenue. Driver arrested for DUI. A small amount of cocaine was found in his possession.

Big Sur: Salinas resident reported a cabin located in Grimes Canyon entered over the New Year's weekend.

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person was concerned about a Carmelo resident because his phone was off the hook. Contact made with the resident; no problems noted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a suspicious vehicle parked on San Antonio at Ocean. Two male adults were watching the property. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: San Carlos resident reported that she parked her car in front of her house on New Year's Eve, leaving her purse inside, and did not lock the doors. The next morning, she drove to The Crossroads and noticed her black purse ($3 value), her CD player ($70 value) and five CDs ($25 value, no title description) were missing. She had gone to the bank and closed all accounts. She did not want a full report taken, she just wanted police to

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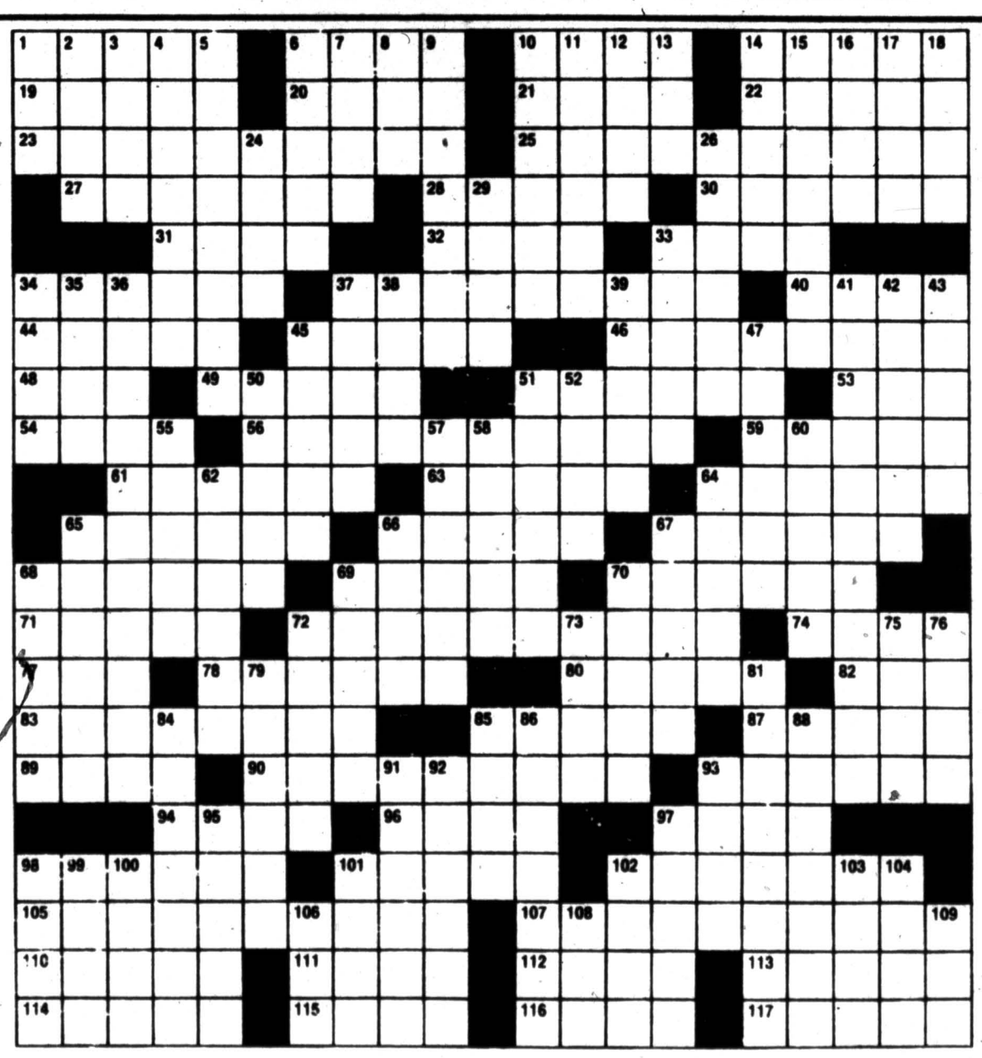

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Building consensus on historic preservation no easy feat

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AFTER THE first public workshop on the revamping of Carmel's historic preservation program, one thing was clear: It's not going to be easy.

The Jan. 10 workshop was the first of two such hearings scheduled in an attempt to gain a community consensus about the best way to "fix" Carmel's historic preservation program.

San Francisco-based Carey and Company will work with the city's planning staff to revamp parts of the city's general plan and historic preservation ordinance as well as to undertake a city-wide environmental impact report on the potential ramification of those new policies. The work is supposed to be finished in less than a year.

During the meeting, Carmel City Attorney Don Freeman asked Carey representative Bill Sugaya how he hoped to build community consensus for the project "with only one or two more workshops."

Sugaya answered that his company would also be interviewing representatives of various groups affected by preservation but admitted that, "I can't say that at the end of it there will be consensus, frankly. I don't know how contentious things are in Carmel."

Sugaya was soon given a sample of Carmel's divergent opinions.

One speaker worried that too sweeping a program would force people to restore "a falling down" home consisting of "a box with shingles on it," while another feared that Carmel's charm is slowly being eroded every time a "a cottage is pulled down for a mansion."

However, many at the meeting were able to agree on one thing — that the criteria for historically significant homes should be clearly spelled out.

"What about the new buyer who inadvertently finds himself in a situation where the home has been declared historic, even if at the time of purchase it was declared non-historic?" asked Jill Clendon.

Longtime realtor and resident Carla Ramsey said it's often difficult for even realtors to find pertinent historic information in the files at city hall. "When you go through the files, some people's files are found in other people's files, death notices are in the wrong files," Ramsey said. "I can tell you it's extremely difficult to find out everything you can about a property."

Enid Sales of the Carmel Preservation Foundation defended the city's historic survey that includes a list of "significant" and "notable" homes.

"The survey took 10 years and recorded 2,000 properties," Sales said. "We reached a point of recognition based on very strict criteria. It wasn't just willy-nilly."

While Carey and Company won't be adding more houses to the existing survey,

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Council to decide on Flanders' property lines

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMEL'S CITY staff has marked out prospective boundaries for the Flanders Mansion lot when the city sells or leases the 74-year-old historic home.

The Carmel City Council will be touring the historic property later this month in order to make a final decision about the property lines.

While the corners of the property have been marked, the acreage has not yet been calculated, according to Carmel Forester Gary Kelly, who was assigned to oversee the project.

Kelly estimated that the boundaries — drawn up by engineer Clayton Neill — include anywhere from 1.5 to 2.5 acres.

The landmark home is currently part of an 11.5-acre parcel of the Mission Trail Nature Preserve. Before the property can be sold, the city will have to divide the home and its grounds from the surrounding park land.

After the council makes a decision about the acreage, Kelly will work with Carmel City Attorney Don Freeman to address rezoning and subdivision issues.

The mansion and surrounding grounds are currently zoned "P1A" — public park land with a structure.

Neill's proposed property lines don't impinge on the Lester Rowntree Native Plant Garden, which is located between the mansion and Hatton Road.

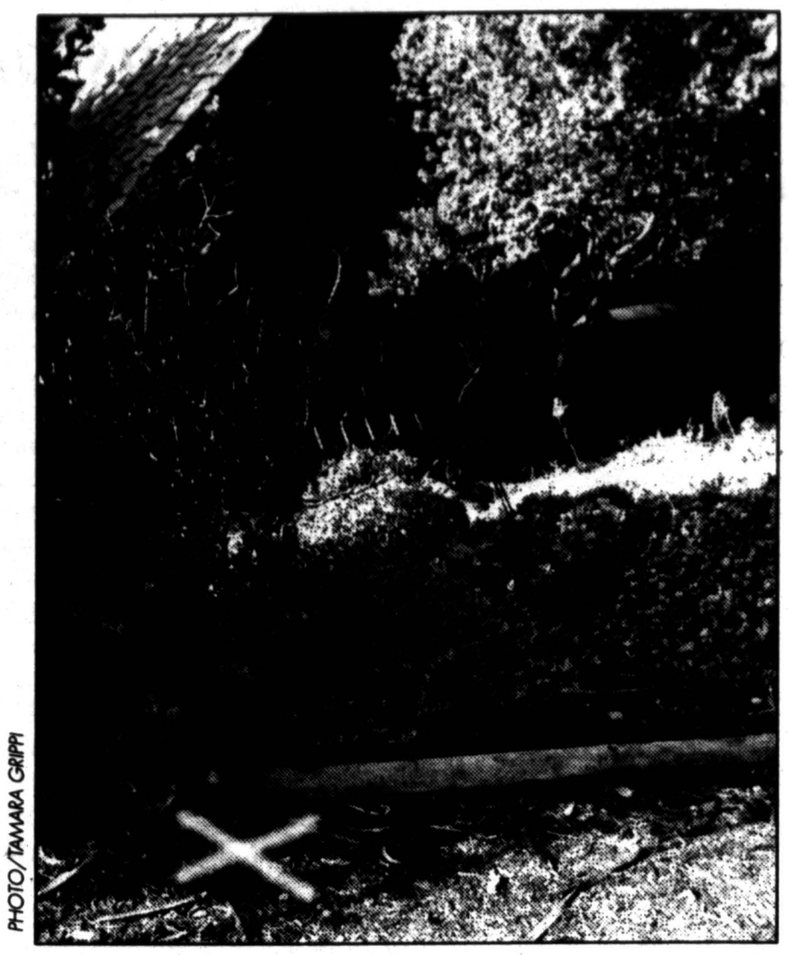
"We tried to come up with a parcel usable by a single family and saleable for an economical price without encroaching any farther into the park land than absolutely necessary," Kelly said.

In December, the city council ended 27 years of controversy by deciding to sell the landmark structure, which was originally built for Paula and Grace Flanders in 1925.

In recent weeks, the city has received at least a half-dozen offers on the home.

Former mayor Clint Eastwood has offered to buy the home at its appraised value, while Palo Alto attorney John Paul Hanna offered to pay $1.5 million for a 99-year lease on the property.

The council will tour the property at 11 a.m. Jan. 24 and make its final decision on the property lines during its February council meeting.



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Paint marks the possible property corners for Flanders Mansion, drawn up by engineer Clayton Neill.

MCCLOUD

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ing the hotel room tax rate or adopting a paid parking program.

But McCloud argues that the city first needs to take a hard look at its own expenses. "If we have to go to something like parking meters — and that changes the city — we have to be sure it's our last resort," she said.

One way the city could increase efficiency is to give cash awards to employees who come up with labor-saving techniques, McCloud said.

Safe seat challenge

McCloud, a Carmel High graduate whose mother owned a dress shop on Ocean Avenue for many years, is a retired top-ranking C.I.A. official. She called herself a "goal-oriented person — someone who's used to setting goals and achieving them."

She was elected in 1998 to a four-year term on the city council and is therefore running for mayor from a "safe" seat.

During her two years on the council, McCloud's been a staunch supporter of the Sunset Center project and voted in favor of the city's $100,000 promotion grant to the CBA. Recently she voted to accept a citizens' petition to let Caffe Cardinale serve soup, and supports the sale or lease of Flanders Mansion.

She said she was instrumental in getting the parking rules changed at the post office to allow more convenient 24-hour access to post office boxes, in hanging a "welcome" sign outside city council meetings and in arranging for wider distribution of council agendas.

She also suggested setting up a semiannual meeting with the business community and proposed replacing the staff traffic committee with one composed of Carmel residents.

'If we have to go to something like parking meters — and that changes the city — we have to be sure it's our last resort.'

— Sue McCloud

"The traffic committee doesn't have enough input from citizens," McCloud said. By assigning a single staff person to assist a citizen's committee, the city could also save money, she said.

While McCloud welcomes new proposals, she says it's important to set priorities to avoid having too many irons in the fire.

"If we need to form a task force to do something, then we have to commit ourselves to acting on what they recommend," she said. "We turn people off if they spend a year working on something and we sit on it and nothing happens."

Last month White announced that he would be running for his fifth consecutive term. He was unopposed in 1994 and 1998, received nearly triple the votes cast for Frank Perry, his opponent in 1996, and is already Carmel's longest-serving mayor.

Another possible candidate, former post office manager and former city council member Dave Maradei, still has not confirmed whether he will run for mayor. The deadline for filing candidacy papers is 5 p.m. on January 14.

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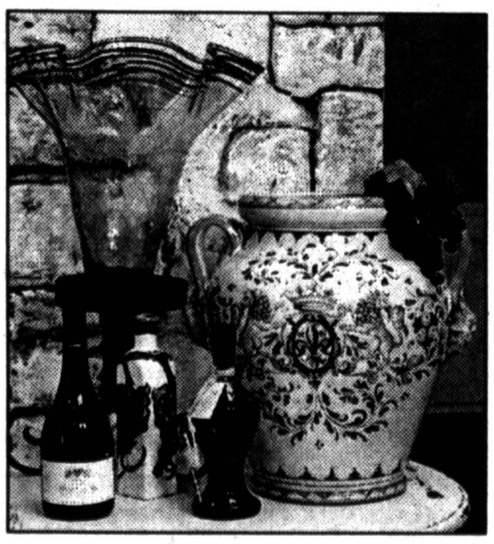
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Alleged calendar scam artists taken to court

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A SUPERIOR Court judge has ruled the fraud case against a Southern California company that solicited funds from Carmel businesses last summer is strong enough to temporarily shut down the company.

The company, High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. was investigated by Carmel police and Monterey County sheriff's deputies over a period of two years, during which the company solicited donations purporting to benefit the Carmel High School Padres athletic programs.

"These are all temporary measures pending a full trial. At the hearing, the defendants are free to refute the evidence," said Deputy District Attorney Lydia Villarreal. "It's the first step in our efforts to freeze the status quo, because we feel consumers are being harmed by these practices. We are asking the court to step in to make sure there is no further harm done."

That hearing is scheduled for Jan. 21, when the defendant — High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. and its principal, Regina Segal — will have the opportunity to argue why an injunction should not be filed against them.

The company did not return calls from The Pine Cone.

The fraud charges stem from accounts that numerous Carmel business people were solicited by young-sounding callers selling advertising in a Carmel High football calendar. The school is not affiliated with the company and does not receive the money from the calendar ad sales, according to Carmel High officials.

According to the declaration of Anna Meacham, investigator for the D.A.'s office, approximately 50 businesses throughout the county were telephoned for donations.

Monterey County Sheriff's Deputy John Burke detailed complaints from numerous Carmel merchants who were solicited by High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. during July and August last year.

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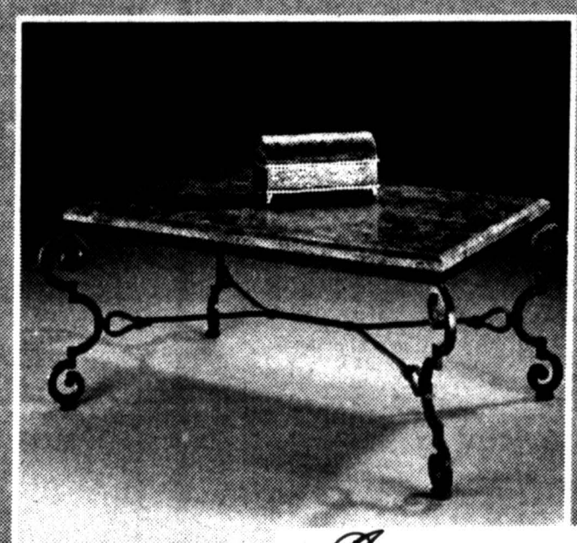
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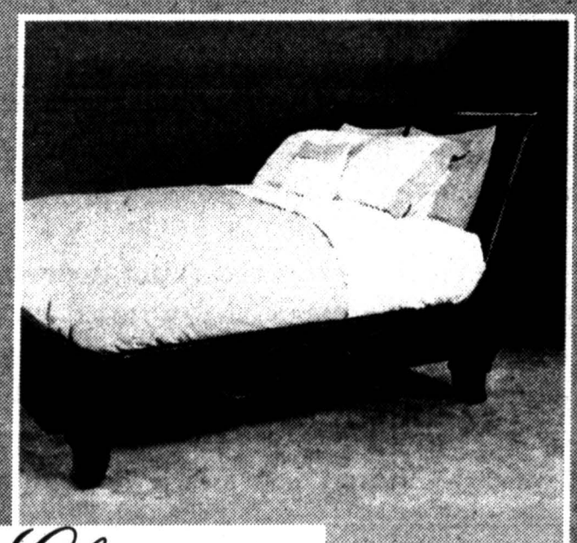
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Cardinales gearing up to serve their first bowl of soup

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMELITES WHO avidly watched Gasper and Rocco Cardinale's fight against city hall — and their victory last year — are still waiting to get their soup.

The Cardinales, who won the right to sell soup, salads and sandwiches in their popular cafe last October, are still putting the final touches on a plan to provide the lunchtime foods to customers.

They hope to begin serving up soup by the end of this month.

After the city council agreed to amend Carmel's food ordinance to allow specialty restaurants such as Caffe Cardinale to sell soup, Rocco decided to take "a long, much needed" vacation.

The Cardinales also needed to order some new equipment and find the right caterer who will be able to provide them with soup seven days a week, Rocco said.

"We didn't catch a break for two years and all of a sudden we got one," Rocco said. "We've recharged our batteries and made a few modifications."

The "soup saga" captured more attention than even Rocco imagined.

"We've had people from across the country coming in asking, 'Can we get a bowl of soup yet?'" he said.

The Cardinales first applied to the city to serve the lunchtime foods in their cafe in February 1998. However, they ran into trouble with the newly approved food ordinance, which established strict categories for Carmel restaurants.

The ordinance, which was intended to protect Carmel from fast food and litter, allowed Caffe Cardinale to sell just two types of food — coffee and pastries.

Last month, after the Cardinales got more than 600 signatures on a petition calling for a change in the ordinance, the council voted 3 to 2 to change the law without putting the matter before the voters.

SUNSET

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Davis Factor, chair of the leadership division of the fundraising campaign, said, "While there is still a way to go," the matching grants represent "more than just the money, they indicate a confidence in this project." He said he was delighted by the gift from the mystery donor.

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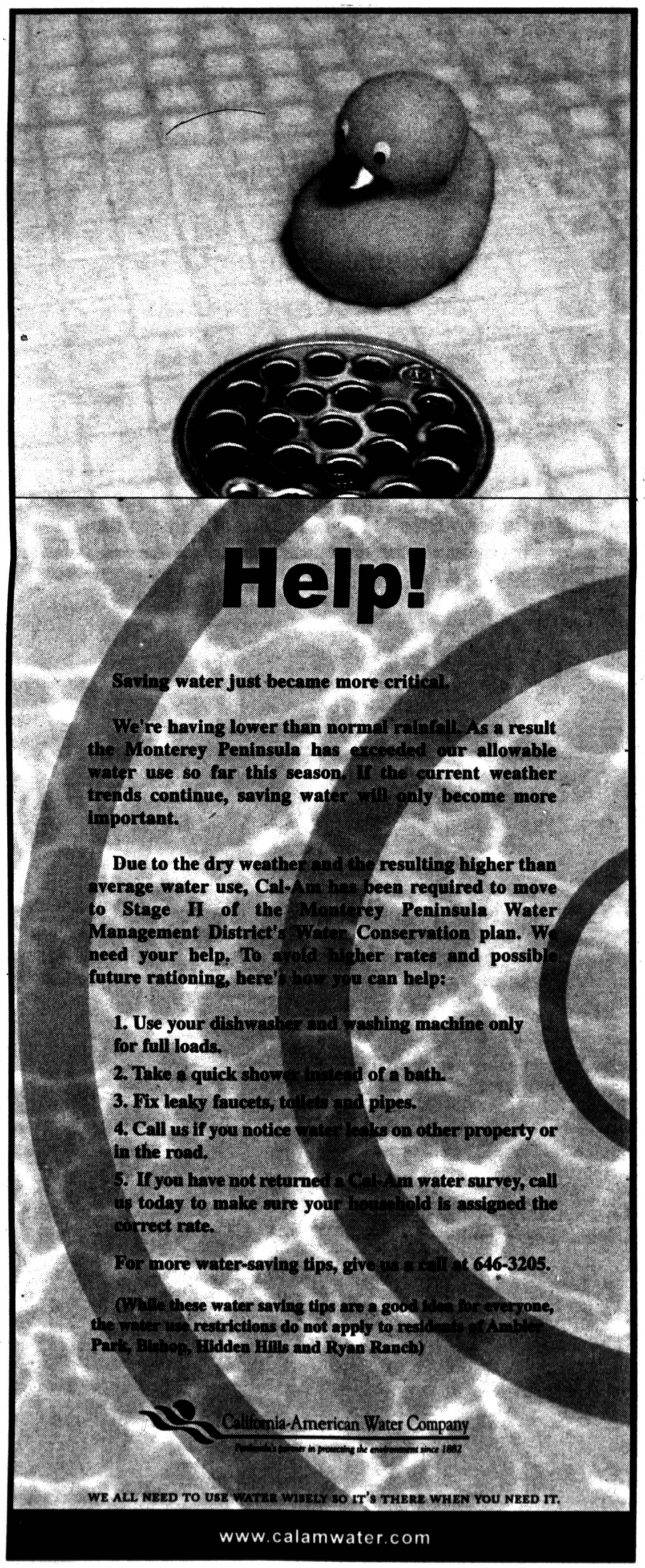
— Mayor Ken White

The project is to renovate the decrepit Sunset Theater, which has been the hub of performing arts presentations on the Monterey Peninsula since 1964, after it was converted from a school auditorium. The building was constructed in 1931.

Nancy Doolittle, president of the not-for-profit Sunset Center for the Arts, said, "With the gift from the Packard Foundation, the community now has the opportunity to guarantee that a California landmark theater and its legacy will be preserved in Carmel."

Mayor Ken White, who has endorsed the project from the start, expressed a debt of gratitude "to those who are doing so much to make this a reality." He commented that other cities have failed to finance city/private-sector cultural projects, "but Carmel has. Pretty soon there will be an opening night. This is like a massive shot of vitamins to this project," he said.

Construction of the Sunset Theater renovation is set to begin in early 2001 and be ready for a grand re-opening in mid-2002.



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PRESERVE

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the firm will be evaluating it for adequacy, according to Carmel Senior Planner Ben Berto.

Carmel architect Brian Congleton argued that the city needs to provide better guidelines for rehabilitating old homes.

"We have people who have an interest in doing sensitive modifications, but because we don't really have standards in place, there's a fear factor and no discrimination at the planning desk; anyone wanting to do anything of substance is required to go through the entire historic evaluation process."

Nearly two years ago city officials learned that Carmel's historic ordinance conflicts with state environmental laws. The playing field changed after a 1997 California appeals court ruled that the City of Oakland could not tear down an abandoned Montgomery Ward department store without first preparing an EIR to analyze the building's historic importance.

Berto said that the new historic preservation program's EIR should be an umbrella for projects that require review in the future.

The senior planner encouraged anyone who wants to be interviewed by the historic consultant to call the planning department at 620-2010.

"People who feel they have something to offer to the historic review process are encouraged to call," Berto said.

FORKLIFT

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Hopkins stationed his truck on the opposite side of Junipero in order to get better leverage. "We just wanted to be in a better position," said Carmel Chevron manager Andy Hill. "We didn't know how it was going to react when it came down."

Hopkins was able to slowly lower the vehicle without a hitch. The "Zacklift" was soon back at work on the construction project

Lexor Builders's project, called Viejo Carmel, will consists of 10 condominium units on the north half of the lot with eight market-rate apartments and two low-income affordable apartments on the south half of the site.

In June 1998 the lower lumber yard on that property — which had once been part of M.J. Murphy's original lumber yard — was demolished.

The demolished lumber yard was most recently used as a metal shop that was the last business classified as "industrial" in Carmel.

SPONTANEOUS

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open the hood to make sure the source of the fire was extinguished.

"It started in the engine compartment," said CFD Investigator Art Black. "It was accidental and, especially on newer cars when everything's stuffed in there, we don't go as far into an investigation if it seems to be an accident."

The car's owner, Chico resident Damon Shea, contacted Carmel police and the fire department. Carmel Police Officer Mel Mukai had left messages for him at local and Chico area numbers.

The fire department suspects the cause was electrical, according to Captain Bruce Meyer. "The person driving the car said he thought it smelled funny when he parked it," he said.

After the fire was extinguished, the battery was disconnected and the car was towed because it was a safety hazard, according to Mukai.

Black said any additional investigation will be conducted by the driver's insurance company, if it chooses to look into the cause of the fire.

"I'm sure that the insurance company, if they are interested, will investigate it further," he said. But since the fire was likely accidental, Black said, "For most, it's cheaper for them to pay for the damage than it is for them to pay the investigator." The fire department estimated the damage at $6,500.

Car fires are uncommon in Carmel, and Black said he will present the details of this incident at the next county fire investigators' meeting.

"We have an expert car fire investigator who's there, and also an AAA investigator is a member," he said. "So if that model has any history, we'll find out about it."

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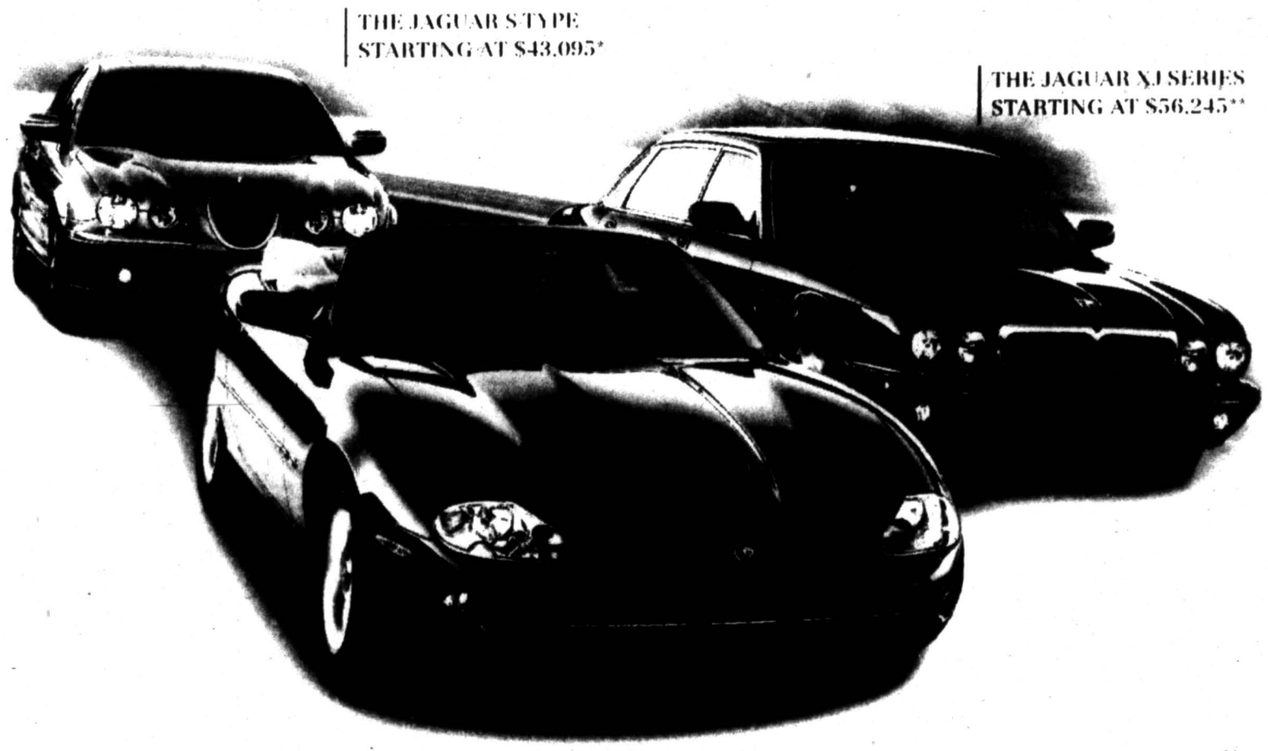
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SCIENCE

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Society to put the Monterey pine on the state's list of threatened species.

The petition was abruptly withdrawn by the CNPS last month but will be resubmitted soon, CNPS officials said.

If the tree is deemed "threatened" by the commission, removal of a Monterey pine would require a permit from the Department of Fish and Game. Experts say there are more than 2.5 million Monterey pines in the Carmel area.

"There is hardly any chance that the Monterey pine will become extinct — in fact I don't think it would be possible to eradicate it if somebody wanted to," declared Andrew Storer, Ph.D., an assistant professor of at the University of California at Berkeley who earned his doctorate in forest entomology at Oxford University.

"Is the Monterey pine a threatened species? We don't have any evidence that it is," said Tom Gordon, Ph.D., a professor in the Department of Plant Pathology at U.C. Davis.

Bowen Kinloch, Ph.D., of the U.S. Forest Service's Institute of Forest Genetics in Albany, Ca., agreed. "Pitch canker is a very serious disease but I think there's enough resistance in the species that even if nothing were done to fight it, the Monterey pine would survive," he said. "I don't think listing it as 'threatened' is warranted at this time."

"I'm very much in sympathy with the people who want to preserve the Monterey pine's native population, but I don't think by any stretch of the imagination that the tree is in danger of becoming extinct in California," said William J. Libby, Ph.D., for 32 years a professor of genetics and forestry at the University of California.

According to David Wood, Ph.D., a U.C. Berkeley professor of entomology who specializes in tree diseases spread by bark beetles, "The Monterey pine isn't in danger of going extinct in California or anywhere else."

The tree is native to the Central Coast and has been planted extensively around the globe. There are more than 4 billion Monterey pines worldwide, scientists say.

Potter, Keeley, Farr support CNPS

Despite the unanimous expression of scientific opinion, many of Monterey County's top political figures have sent letters to the commission supporting the CNPS petition.

"I believe the listing is warranted," and should be the Fish and Game Commission's "top priority," Supervisor Dave Potter said in a Sept. 1 letter to the commission's executive director.

"Because of the tremendous losses expected from pitch canker, we need to protect these rare and beautiful trees," Assemblyman Fred Keeley wrote in a pair of letters supporting the 'threatened' designation, which he said would help preserve the tree's "original DNA pool."

Congressman Sam Farr has also expressed his "support for the petition" to designate the Monterey pine as threatened, "to ensure the continued survival of our native trees in their natural habitats."

These letters — and others sent to Fish and Game officials by Big Sur Land Trust Executive Director Zad Leavy, Carmel Forest and Beach Commission Chair Karen Ferlito, LandWatch director Gary Patton and Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District General Manager Joseph Donofrio — claim the future of the pine is in doubt because so much of its habitat has been lost as the cities of the Monterey Peninsula have grown, and because of the pitch canker epidemic, which first hit the Monterey Peninsula about 10 years ago and has since infected thousands of trees.

The disease "is expected to eliminate 85 percent or more of the existing population," according to Keeley's letter.

The same claim is made in CNPS' original petition, which was submitted last summer. "Mortality from pitch canker infestation in native Monterey pine stands is expected to approach that of planted stands, where 85 percent tree loss has been reported," the CNPS claimed. The 85 percent mortality prediction, the CNPS said, is based on extensive studies of pitch canker's effect on Monterey pines in Santa Cruz and Monterey counties — research conducted by Gordon and his colleagues.

But Gordon says he has never made any such prediction and called the estimate of 85 percent mortality "a complete misinterpretation of our results."

The pitch canker fungus, which is spread by bark beetles, may ultimately infect that many Monterey pines, Gordon said, but a large number of the trees will show few or no symptoms.

"We can't say for sure what percent will die but I'm confident it's going to be a lot less than 85 percent," he said.

The other scientists agreed. "The petition quotes us and uses our work to reach a conclusion that I definitely don't agree with," Storer said. He has submitted a document to the Fish and Game Department entitled, "Key Errors and Unsubstantiated Statements in the Petition to List Monterey Pine as a Threatened Species."

Not only are the mortality rates foretold by the CNPS exaggerated, he said, but new research shows that some Monterey pines increase their resistance to the pitch canker illness after being exposed to it.

"Some trees are still alive 11 years after becoming infected," Wood said.

Science vs. politics

The conflict between scientific conclusions and political opinions creates a dilemma for staff members at the Department of Fish and Game where, on the 13th floor of a nondescript office building in Sacramento, a recommendation on the status of the Monterey pine will be made.

"The final decision is up to the Fish and Game Commission," said Sandy Morey, coordinator of the department's species recovery program.

"We will be making a recommendation whether to list the Monterey pine as threatened and we will try to give the commission an objective assessment based on science," she said.

Farr said his letter was simply intended to encourage the Fish and Game Commission to give the CNPS a full hearing. "Their decision should be based on good science," he said. "But if we are going to get research money put into the Monterey pine, we're going to have to make it a national problem and that's what this debate has done — put pitch canker on the radar screen."

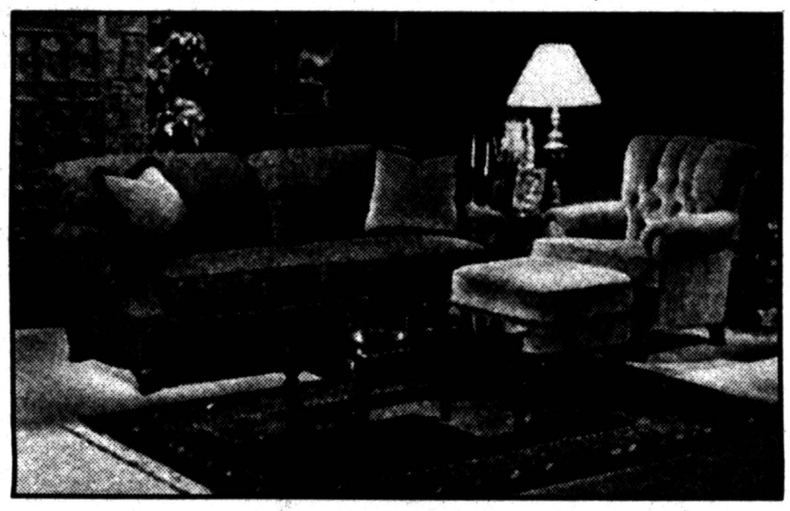
"If you look at the pine forest, it's riddled with dead and dying trees," Potter said, "and in my opinion the forest is definitely in danger, but I don't have the scientific credentials to make a decision whether the Monterey pine is 'threatened' or not. All I'm trying to do is elevate the visibility of what I consider to be a serious threat."

Keeley said the commission's decision should be "thoughtful and based on facts" and said he would respect the decision "one way or the other."

The debate over listing the tree as threatened, Keeley said, "can't do anything but help ensure the future of the tree." He added that he and Senator Bruce McPherson had worked closely to fund research into the pitch canker epidemic.

A decision by the Fish and Game Commission will be made at a public hearing about four months after the petition to designate the pine as 'threatened' is resubmitted.

"Quite a few of us will be attending that hearing," Gordon said.



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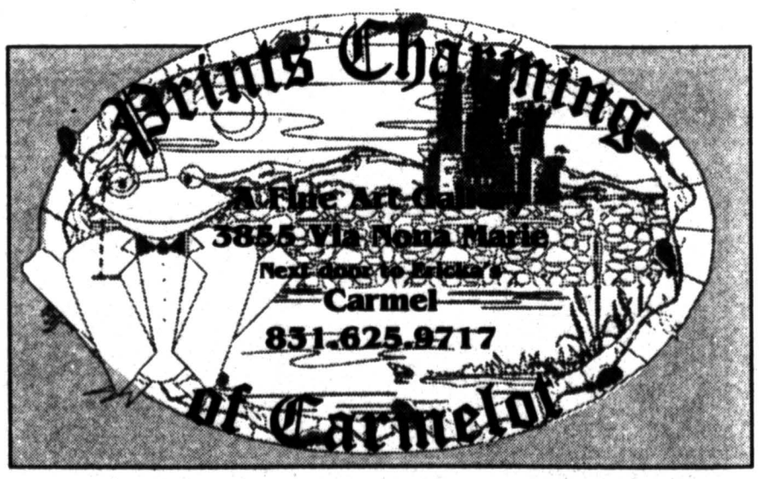
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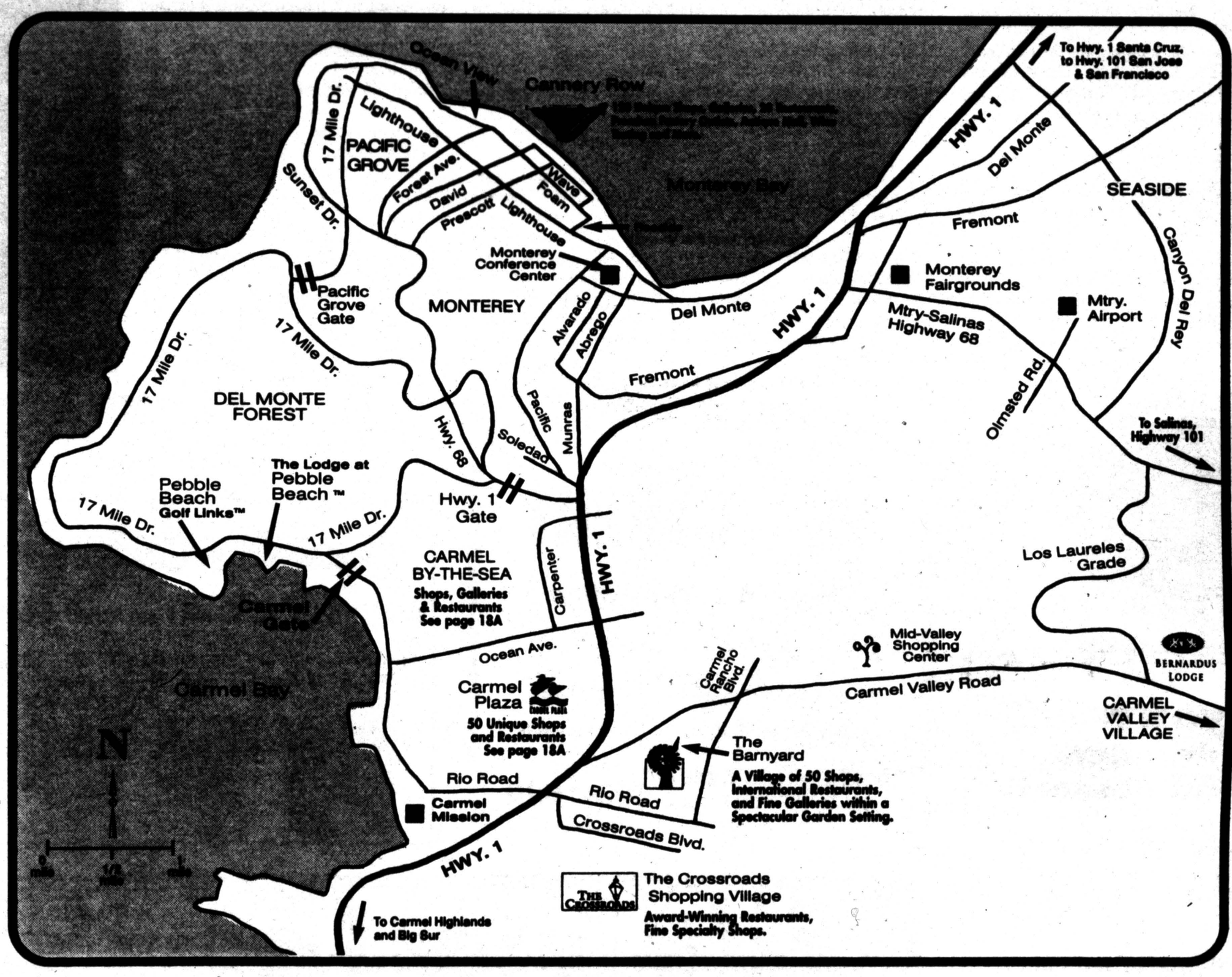
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County nurtures healthy crop of fresh jazz talent

THE SECOND "Salute to Jazz Education" awards were distributed at the Hyatt Regency Monterey last week and were dedicated to longtime Monterey Jazz Festival (MJF) performer and clinician **Tee Carson**. Carson, MJF favorite and one time pianist for The Count Basie Orchestra, could not attend this year's event due to illness.

The evening brought attention to the Monterey Jazz Festival's strong commitment to jazz education programs and it kicked off with a concert featuring the festival's traveling clinicians. The clinicians — **Bill Berry, Vince Lateano, Glen Pearson, Terry Russell, Paul Contos** and **Scott Steed** — are all top-rate jazzers who travel regularly to Monterey County middle and high schools teaching local students to play jazz.

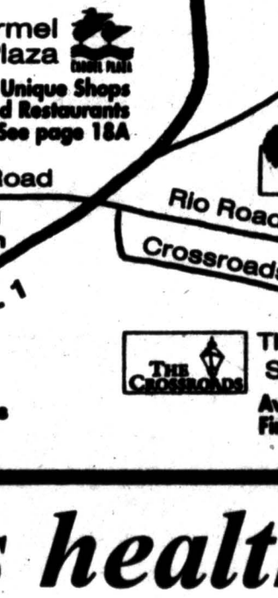
Plugged In

By Stephen L. Vagnini

Celebrating 30 years of commitment to jazz education and boasting an annual commitment of more than $400,000 to local jazz programs, "Salute to Jazz" was created by MJF directors to thank educators and sponsors alike for their support. Kudos were bestowed upon **Gary Stotz**, Pacific Grove teacher, as Music Director of the Year; and **Jan Stotzer** and **Earl Bullers** as "Parent Boosters of the Year." Monterey County Honor Band/2000 members, selected by the aforementioned clinicians as "the best young jazz musicians in Monterey County," are: pianist **Milton Fletcher** (Monterey High); bassist **P. J. McCombs** (Pacific Grove); drummers **James Williams** (Monterey) and **Lea Houlette** (Pacific Grove); guitarist **Ryan Scott** (Carmel); on trumpet **Nathan Iglesias** (Pacific Grove), **Seth Putnam** (Monterey), **Brian Maurer** (Pacific Grove), **Sam Strong** (RLS) and **A.J. Wecker** (Monterey); on trombone **Jozen Cummings** (Monterey), **Sam Griffith** (Monterey), **Mark Stotzer** (Pacific Grove), **Peter Williams** (North Monterey County) and **Jevon Henderson** (Monterey); and on saxophone **Adam Mori, Joe Velasquez, David Bullers, Brian Mansfield** and **Iris Smith** (all of Monterey).

Folk music at new Pacific Grove venue

Legendary folk singer **Mary McCaslin** will perform at 8 p.m. this Saturday, Jan. 15 at Capsicum, an intimate new concert venue in Pacific Grove. McCaslin, a resident of Santa Cruz and a favorite of promoter Barbara Murphy, is considered a pioneer of open guitar tunings and is an integral link between the folk singers of the '60s and the younger "new folk" singer-songwriters of today.



Mary McCaslin

A talented songwriter, McCaslin's real-life western songs have been recorded by Tom Russell ("Prairie in the Sky"), David Bromberg ("Young Westley") and Kate Wolf ("The Ballad of Weaverville"), among many others. Tickets are $12 in advance and can be purchased at Bookworks in Pacific Grove or at The Bookmark, 307 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove. Admission is $13 at the door. Capsicum is located at 663-C Lighthouse Ave.

Old-time gospel

Keith Hayes, bassist for local bluegrass outfit **The Courthouse Ramblers**, presents an evening of old-time gospel next Friday, Jan. 21 at the Monterey United Methodist Church at the corner of Soledad and Monterey. A high-energy bluegrass gospel quintet, **5 for the Gospel** hails from Eastern Kentucky and was named Traditional Gospel Group of the Year by the SPBGMA National Awards in 1997 and 1999. The group released three albums on Hay Holler Records. A full-time traveling road group, 5 for the Gospel tours the United States regularly and in 1998 performed in England, Wales and Ireland. Next Friday's concert begins at 7 p.m. and is free to the general public. For more information call 375-8285.



5 for the Gospel

14th Annual Masters of Food & Wine

GREAT CHEFS, GREAT PAIRINGS . . . AND A MU

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

IF YOU'VE watched Chef Jacques Pepin and his daughter preparing familial food together on the PBS television series, *"Jacques Pepin's Kitchen: Encore with Claudine,"* you'll be interested to know they'll be doing the very same thing right here in Carmel.

The Pepins, *pere et fille*, will demonstrate their culinary techniques in person before those who have signed up for a firsthand viewing at the 14th annual Masters of Food and Wine at Highlands Inn, Carmel — now a Park Hyatt Hotel — Feb. 23 through the 27th.

The luncheon following the Pepin demo will have its menu created by chefs Jacques and Claudine, Julian Serrano and Elizabeth Falkner and will be paired with wines from Champagne Louis Roederer, Etude Wines, J. Rochioli Vineyard and Inniskillin.

The five-day culinary colossus — with some tickets still available — will not only feature cooking demos followed by luncheons, but an opening night wine and food tasting; luncheons and dinners matching signature dishes from America's top chefs with wines from revered wineries in the U.S. and Europe; rare wine tastings; a mushroom tour of the area followed by a luncheon; the gala finale, the James House Rarities Wine Dinner; and a wind-down "Fish Market Grill" luncheon on the last day.

Chef Jeff Rogers, Highlands Inn executive chef, will orchestrate this gathering of acclaimed Masters, coordinating menus as well as overseeing wine pairings with Highland Inn Wine Director Peter Hiers.

Events are individually priced, starting from $95, which allows gourmets and oenophiles to select from among the dazzling offerings.

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Cooking demonstrations (there are three), including lunch, are $160, but if you want to attend the luncheon only, the cost is $130; the mushroom hunt with luncheon is $140; wine tastings range from $140 to $350 and dinners from $170 to $210; the Fish Market Grill is $95; and the grand finale dinner will cost $260.

Opening night event on Feb. 23 is the "Master Stars" featuring culinary preparations from 12 of the most talented and acclaimed chefs in the U.S. as well as wines from 49 of Europe and America's premier wine estates. The evening event is a sort of "grazing of foods and a tasting of wines," according to Highlands Inn general manager, Ulrich Samietz.

The two other cooking demonstrations and luncheons will feature: Chef Charlie Trotter of Charlie Trotter's restaurant in Chicago with a luncheon menu by Trotter, chefs Wayne Nish and Elizabeth Scherber and wines by Champagne Louis Roederer, Joseph Phelps Vineyards, Miner Family Vineyards and Niebaum-Coppola Winery; and Jean-Louis Palladin of the Napa restaurant in the Rio Hotel, Las Vegas and Michael Ginor of Hudson Valley Foie Gras, with luncheon menu created by chefs Palladin and Ginor, Jimmy Sneed and Claudia Fleming served with wines by Champagne Louis Roederer, Lewis Cellars, Williams and Selyem Winery and Domaine Weinbach.



Four wine tastings

Four distinctive wine tastings will feature: "The Mystique of Mouton," a vertical tasting of Chatêau Mouton Rothschild; "Vintage Ports of the Century" with Taylor Fladgate and Fonseca Guimaraens; "Proprietary Expressions of California" featuring Ridge Monte Bello, Joseph Phelps Vineyards and

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SHROOM HUNT, TOO



Ulrich Samietz (left), general manager of The Highlands Inn, A Park Hyatt Hotel, Carmel, discusses plans for the forthcoming 14th annual Masters of Food and Wine with Executive Chef Jeff Rogers in front of a roaring fire in the hotel's grand salon. The event was inaugurated in 1987 at the Highlands Inn and has been held there each year since.

PHOTO/ MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

Niebaum-Coppola Winery; and a vertical asting of Cristal by Champagne Louis Roederer.

The luncheon menu following the mush-oom tour will be created by chefs Scott Newman, David Kinch and Marcus amuelsson and paired with wines by Pezzi King Vineyards and Ken Wright Cellars.

Luncheons and dinners

Two special luncheons will be presided ver by three chefs. The first menu will be repared by Jacques Pepin, Julian Serrano nd Elizabeth Falkner and will feature wines y Champagne Louis Roederer, Etude Vines, J. Rochioloi Vineyard and Inniskillin.

The second luncheon menu will be creat-d by Charlie Trotter, Wayne Nish and lizabeth Scherber, with wines of hampagne Louis Roederer, Joseph Phelps ineyards, Miner Family Vineyards and iebaum-Coppola Winery.

Five chefs are joining forces to originate menu for the first special dinner: Michael inor, Patrick O'Connell, Rocco DiSpirito, Ron Siegel and Elizabeth Scherber. Wines paired with the dinner will be by Champagne Louis Roederer, Domaine Weinbach, Staglin Family Vineyard, Château Mouton Rothschild and Taylor Fladgate & Yeatman.

Menu for the second dinner will be created by chefs Philip Baker, Jean Joho, Jimmy Sneed, Michel Richard and Claudia Fleming, with wines selected from Champagne Louis Roederer, Babcock Vineyard and Winery, Flowers Vineyard and Winery, Matanzas Creek Winery, Ridge Vineyards and Fonseca Guimaraens.

Grand finale dinner

No less than seven chefs are putting their heads together over the Grand Finale dinner menu: Arnold Wong, Reed Hearon, Michel Richard, Wayne Nish, Jean-Louis Palladin, Philip Baker and Lincoln Carson. The eight course dinner will be matched with a selection of rare vintages from wine estates, collectors and the Highlands Inn's own Wine Spectator Grand Award wine list: Champagne Louis Roederer, Domaine Weinbach, Chalone Vineyard, Robert Talbott Vineyards, Calera Wine Company, Château Mouton Baronne Philippe and Fonseca Guimaraens.

The very last event of the 14th annual Masters of Food and Wine is the Sunday noon Seafood Grill, the menu arranged by four chefs: Arnold Wong, Reed Hearon, Suttichai Sripolpa and Philip Baker. Featured wines of the week will be served.

A color brochure, listing all events, the chefs, the restaurants with which they are affiliated and participating wineries may be obtained by writing to Highlands Inn, A Park Hyatt Hotel, P.O. Box 1700, Carmel, CA 93921.

Because of early mailings, the Masters of Food has only a modicum of tickets available for the events.

The quickest way to learn about each event and method of reserving space is to visit the website at www.highlands-inn.com, or call (831) 620-1234, or 1-800-401-1009.

✓ Monterey County wine tasting to benefit Steinbeck Center

TWENTY MoCo wines will be tasted at the second annual Valley of the World Wine Festival from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at the National Steinbeck Center, sponsored by Salinas Rotary Club.

Music, hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction will accompany the wine tasting showcasing Monterey County wines — all to benefit the National Steinbeck Center. Tickets are $50 per person in advance, $60 at the door. For an additional $5, wine enthusiasts can hear Lockwood Vineyard's winemaker, Stephen Passagno, at an hour long wine tasting seminar scheduled for 3 p.m. the same day.

Call 422-1751 for information, tickets and reservations. Space is limited.

✓ Carmel's Center for Photographic Art readies 3-artist show

"A SENSE of Place" is the title selected for a photographic show currently being mounted for a Jan. 21 opening at the Center for Photographic Art in the Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel.

The photographic works of three women, Martha Casanave, Ruth Mayerson Gilbert and Marissa Roth will be displayed through March 3. The artists will be present at an opening reception scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 21.

For information, call 625-5181.

Carmel Bach Festival auditions for chorus

BRUCE LAMOTT, choral director of The Carmel Bach Festival, will audition singers for the festival chorus beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at Carlson Hall, downstairs at the Church of the Wayfarer, northwest corner of Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel.

Applicants should prepare the "Amen" chorus from Handel's "Messiah" and telephone the festival office at 624-1521 to make an appointment.

The festival chorus is the volunteer group of the Bach Festival singing ensemble for the season 2000 (July 15 - Aug. 6). It will join the festival chorale for performances of Bach's "St. John Passion," "Easter Oratorio" and Beethoven's "Mass in C Major" on Saturdays, Sundays and Tuesdays from July 15 to Aug. 6.

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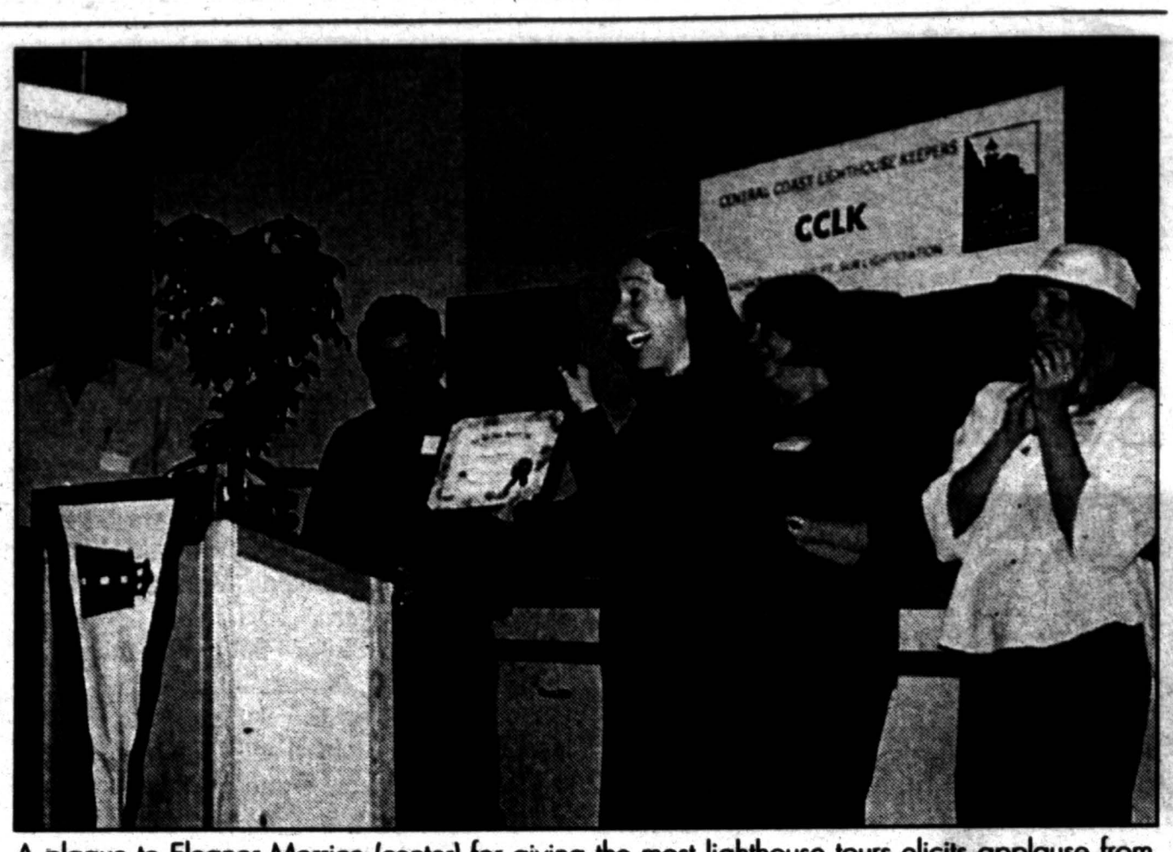
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Lending support to the awards presentation of the Central Coast Lighthouse Keepers are Jack Hammerland, Mary Jane Hammerland, Hal Latta and Ken Gray.



A plaque to Eleanor Morrice (center) for giving the most lighthouse tours elicits applause from Ed Pantry, Hal Latta, Carol O' Neil and Lyn Ann Rosen.

Point Sur loyalists gather to honor major helpers



People and Places

By Sissi Maleki

BY NOW you surely have not only survived the Y2K non-event but also the barrage of Millennium II future-casts.

In fact, you're probably far more certain about how you'll be living your life 20 years from now than what you'll be making for lunch tomorrow. And in this barrage of scientific goals, you'll most surely have noted the plethora of reproduction-related research: cloning, tweaking — DNA, that is — fertility drugs, and on and on.

BUT — why haven't they researched what really counts in my house (and yours, no doubt)? I'm talking about the reproductive systems of Thingamajiggies that get going in any type of container: a purse, a drawer, a decorative box, a basket . . . you get the picture.

Have "they" (those elitist scientists) no intellectual curiosity about how one button in a glass box can, in a single night, beget a brood that's made up of a stamp, a marble, a broken piece of china and even a screw?

Well, having had to conduct my own research, I have solved the most immediate problem — how to impose a Thingamajiggy birth control system.

I have found that the only thing that turns off Thingamajiggies is being faced with a container that's already full. So, regardless of how neat and organized you normally are, DO NOT try to reduce the population in each container.

I know that may be maddening to all you Felixes, but trust me — it's the only way to get the upper hand.

And maybe someday, after they figure out why just looking at chocolate creates fat cells, they'll figure this out, too . . . .

THE CARMEL Woman's Club was filled with dedicated volunteers on Saturday, Jan. 12th, when the **Central Coast Lighthouse Keepers** (CCLK) organized an awards dinner for the Point Sur lighthouse gang.

Before a full house, several docents were given awards based on the number of hours they had volunteered, beginning with the ones who had finally hit the 100-hour mark.

It takes quite a bit of fortitude to be a docent, given all the climbing that's required. And yet, surprisingly, most docents are in their 60s and 70s.

Boonie Covell claimed to be the youngest one, at some age "younger than 60," but that's not according to **Lyn Ann Rosen**.

"Absolutely not! I'm not giving her that credit!!" she huffed, hiding a smile.

There were three who could actually claim 12 years of dedication: **Loren Rice, Marjorie Fisher** and **John Francis**.

In addition, both **John O'Neil**, CCLK chairman, and his wife **Carol**, tour management chairman, received Superior Achievement awards from California State Parks Ranger **Hal Latta**, which is the highest honor volunteers can receive from State Parks.

On top of that, the O'Neils are both 4,000-hour veterans. Wow!

(If you're interested in volunteering, please call 647-8261.)



What's Happening

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DENISE BETHEL, Director of Fine Photographs at SOTHEBY'S in New York, will be in the Carmel area from Jan. 14 to 16 to look at photographs one is considering selling at auction. Private appointments can be made by calling SOTHEBY'S consultant Robin Venuti at 372-7515.

See the first **LUNAR ECLIPSE** of the new millennium! The Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy presents a FREE Total Lunar Eclipse public star party from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at the Weaver Student Observatory, located at MIRA's Richard W. Hamming Astronomy Center, 200 Eighth St., Marina (SE corner of Second Avenue and Eighth Street on old Fort Ord). Totality (fullest eclipse) begins at about 8 p.m. The observatory will also offer views of Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

Families are encouraged to attend. Rain or heavy cloud cancels. For more info, call 883-1000, ext. 51.

BLOWING ZEN: A performance of Shakuhachi (Japanese bamboo flute) featuring master Shakuhachi flutists John Singer and Shigeo Tachibana with Sumi Honami on koto is scheduled in March.

Performance begins 8 p.m. Saturday, March 11 at the Church of Religious Science, Carleton Hall, 400 W. Franklin St., Monterey. Admission is $10 at the door. For more info, call (510) 528-2027.

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THE MONTEREY Peninsula Choral Society will be accepting new singers, especially tenors and basses, for its Spring Season.

Rehearsals for the program and sacred and secular classical and folk music begin on Jan. 18 and will continue on Tuesday evenings in Carmel until the performances on May 6 and 7. Call Stephanie McMillan at 384-5415.

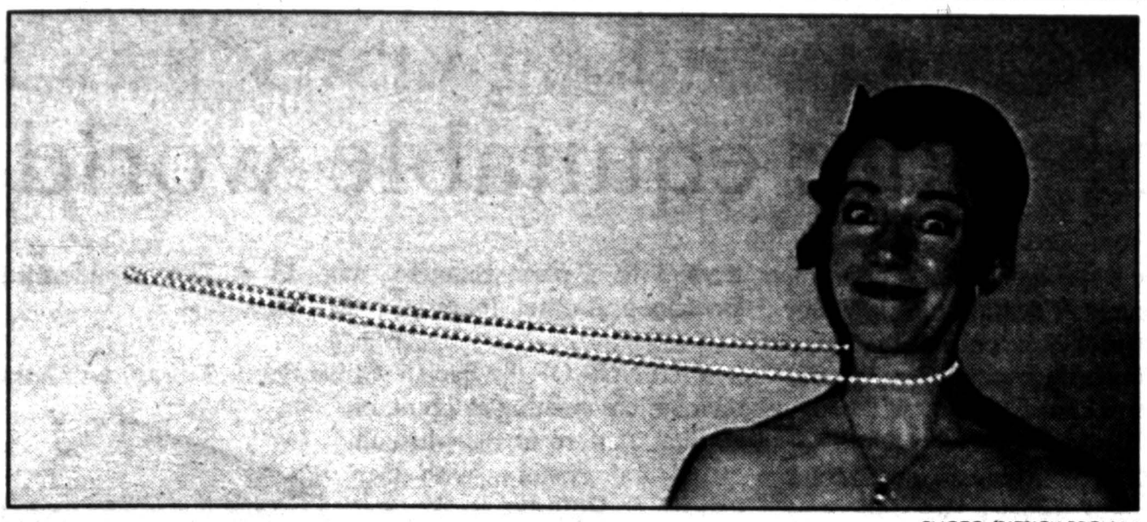
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The giddy humor of the late Bea Lillie lives again in the one-woman show staged by Carmelite Layne Littlepage.

One-woman show at Cherry Center recalls Brit wit of funster Bea Lillie

FROM 1914 to 1964 London and Broadway audiences reveled in the humor of legendary comedienne Beatrice Lillie. Carmel-born Layne Littlepage, herself a devotee of the late actress, brings Lillie's humor back to life in "Bea and Me: Not Just Another Evening with Beatrice Lillie."

This is the second Bea Lillie show developed by Littlepage, a published novelist who resided in New York City before moving back to the Monterey Peninsula six years ago.

The production of "Bea and Me" is directed by Jerry DeBono, and features musical direction of Barney Hulse, who also appears in the show. Shirley Fisher, stage manager, also takes the part of Miss Lillie's maid.

Curtain is at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays until Feb. 7. Setting is the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, Guadalupe and Fourth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Tickets are $14 general, $12 for students and seniors.

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Cherry Center announces high school poetry contest

STUDENT POETRY submissions are sought for the "2000 Monterey County High School Poetry Awards," it was announced by the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, Carmel.

An anthology of poems by 25 students will be published by the center, and an awards ceremony is set for April 8 at the Monterey Public Library.

Information on how to submit entries can be obtained by calling 624-7491, or by writing to The Carl Cherry Center, P.O. Box 863, Carmel 93921.

Forest Theater Guild names board members, artistic director

FOUR CARMEL residents have been added to the Forest Theater Guild board of directors. John Newkirk is the artistic director for the 2000 season, and Wendy Tyler will serve as business manager.

Hamish Tyler, executive director of the guild, announced that John Anderson, Dr. Jerry Lehrer, Fermin Sanchez and James Price are new additions to the board of directors.

Executive officers for the year are Roger Parkes, president; Greg Cellitti, vice president; Mark Seitman, treasurer; Fermin Sanchez, recording secretary; and Hamish Tyler, executive director.

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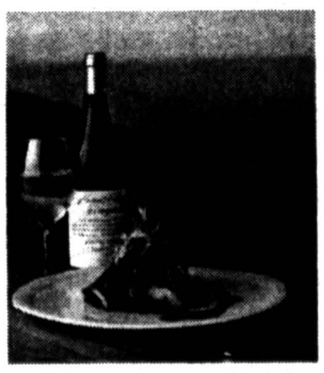
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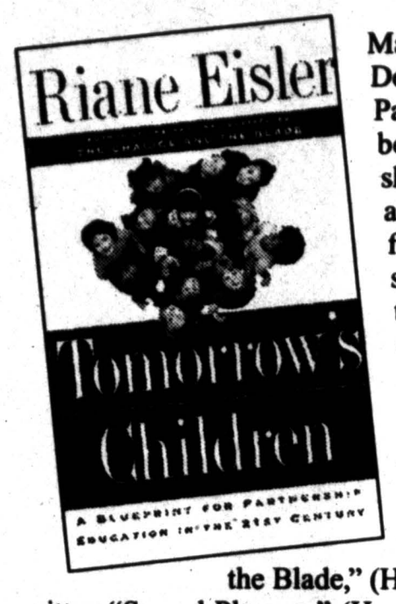
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THE BOOKSHELF

Eisler draws blueprint for more equitable world

IN RIANE EISLER'S newest book, **"Tomorrow's Children — A Blueprint for Partnership Education in the 21st Century,"** the author suggests that education needs to be reconstructed, refocused and reframed so that in our society, differences are recognized and cherished. She contrasts this "partnership model" to a "domination model," in which violence and exploitation reign and a large proportion of the population is either neglected or denigrated. Dr. Eisler points out that partnership societies have existed that were marked by peace and human flourishing, and that we should strive for just such an equitable world.



Building on the work of Maria Montessori, John Dewey, Johann Pestalozzi and Paolo Freire, Dr. Eisler believes that our children should be educated in caring and ethical relations and away from authoritarianism. She suggests a systemic, long-term educational change in curriculum and learning environment, which will lead to personal and collective transformation.

Dr. Eisler is the author of the international best-seller, "The Chalice and the Blade," (Harper & Row, 1987) and has written "Sacred Pleasure" (HarperCollins, 1995), and "The Partnership Way" (Holistic Education Press, 1998). She is president of the Center for Partnership Studies, keynoting conferences around the world.

Published by Westview Press, Boulder, Colo., the 362-page hardback retails for $25.

You will be able to hear Dr. Eisler — who resides on the Monterey Peninsula — discuss her book at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 18 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, The Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel. For information, call 624-1803.

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"GOSHEN; LESSONS FROM THE RIVER" is the title of **Jack** and **Judy Witt's** first book in a series of how their lives, art and relationship have been transformed by a mystical place in the Virginia Mountains. They will speak from 3 to 5 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, Carmel. Inquiries: 624-1803.

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FRIENDS OF the Pacific Grove Public Library will hold their annual meeting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 16 at the Museum of Natural History, with Carmel's **J. S. Holliday** the keynote speaker. Jim Holliday will discuss his latest book, **"Rush for Riches: Gold Fever and the Making of California."** The author will sign books following the program. The public is invited. For information, call 648-3160.



By Margot Petit Nichols

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MELISSA HARTMAN, a Monterey author, will discuss and sign her book, **"Talk Show"** at Borders, 2080 California Blvd., Sand City, at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 19. The book is the January title for discussion of the Gay/Lesbian Book Group. New members are always welcome. For information, call 899-6643.

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The sky wiped its nose running
with rain-shine.
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glistened like raw egg yolks.

A salamander in pink sequins
emerged from under a log.
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TUES – JAN 18
Join author **Riane Eisler**, as she discusses her latest release ***Tomorrow's Children - A Blueprint for Partnership Education in the 21st Century.*** "As we enter the millennium, this compelling book, with its treasure of insightful materials, serves as a beacon for effective education and collaboration across all boundaries. It should be read by educators, parents and all who care about our children's tomorrows." - Darlene Clark Hine of Michigan State University.
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Connecticut poet wins prize

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

"CROSSING A Field of Bees After Being Recently Stung" is the poem that won the annual national Robinson Jeffers Tor House Prize for Poetry for 1999 and was selected from more than 1,700 submittals. Charles Rafferty of Sandy Hook, Conn. carried home the honorarium of $1,000 awarded for his poem.

The Prize for Poetry was established as a living memorial to honor American poet Jeffers (1887 - 1962) who lived in Carmel for a great part of his life. According to Elliot Roberts, coordinator of the competition, poems were entered from 44 states, the District of Columbia and from 11 foreign countries.

Winner Rafferty has published three collections of poetry, one of which, "The Man on the Tower," printed by the University of Arkansas Press in 1995, won the Arkansas Poetry prize.

The winning poem, which will also appear in the Tor House Foundation newsletter, is reprinted here:

Crossing a Field of Bees After Being Recently Stung

The deer trail I was walking disappeared

before it crept three feet into a field

of weed crowns, but I didn't want to yield

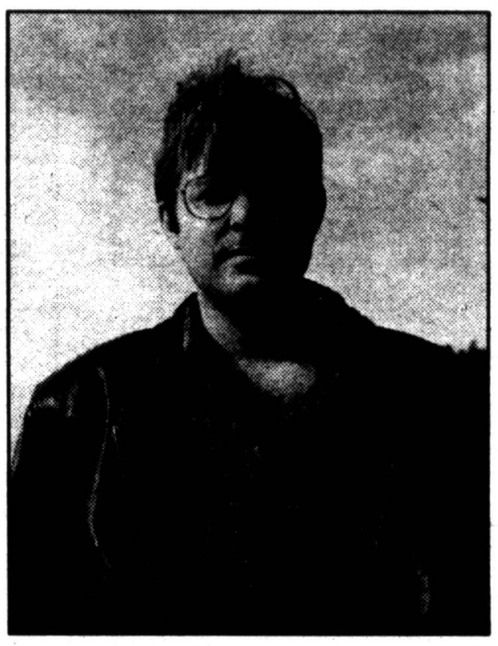
to tangled stems, the flowers that I feared

because of bees. I didn't want them cleared

either. The goldenrod and rose, which sealed

me from the other side so well, revealed

the dance of bee on bud, a dance that veered



toward majesty. I took the slow ramrod

of my shoulder and inched my way along,

withstood the wings like the breath of god

upon me. From the other side, their song

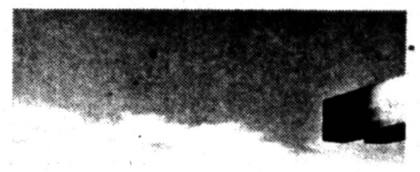
seemed good. I saw my wake of trampled breeze,

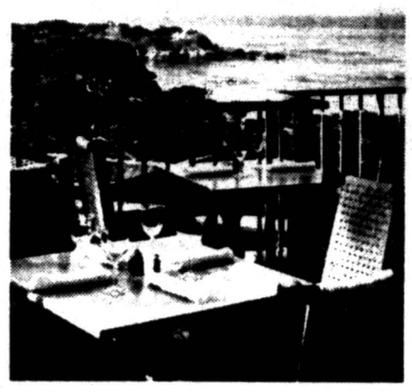
and then the stitching back and forth of bees.

— Charles Rafferty

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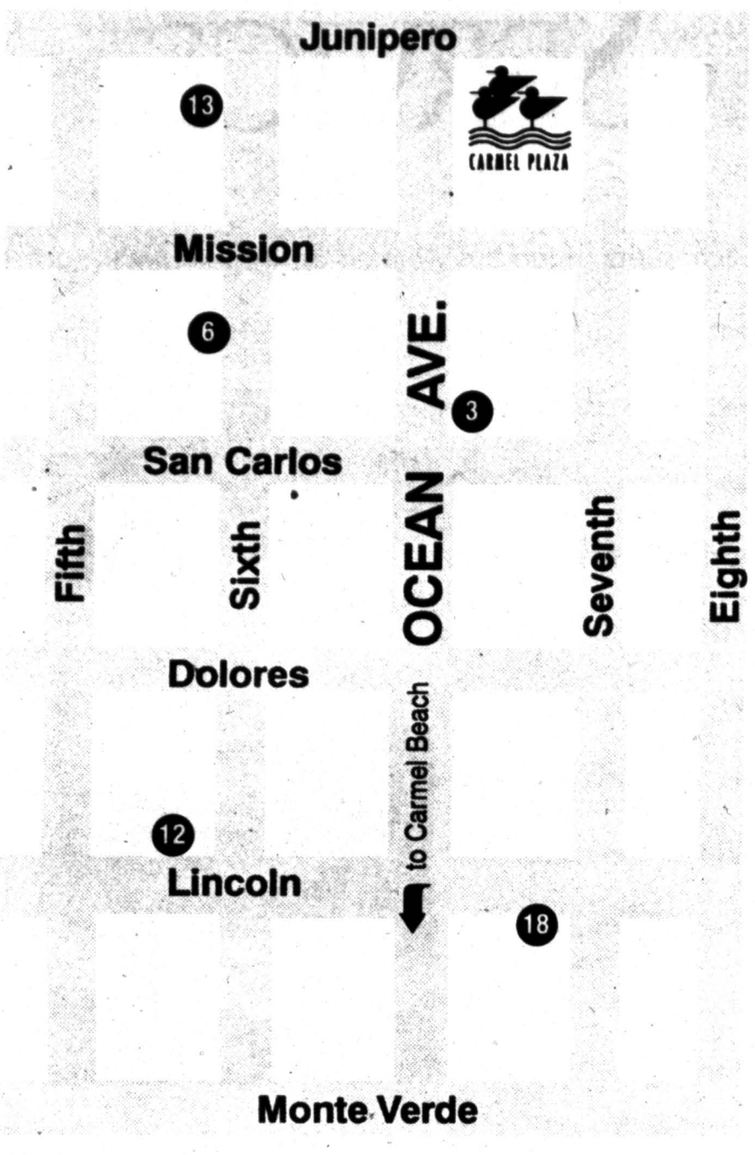
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The works of 25 students display differing styles, techniques and themes in examining the gray whale. The collection can be viewed through Feb. 18 at the Cherry, which is located at Guadalupe and Fourth in Carmel-by-the-Sea. Students were encouraged to contribute artwork related to the articulation and rendering of whaling themes from classical and contemporary literature. "The Green Whale of Winter" is a part of Whalefest 2000, a two-week celebration of the annual migration of the Great Gray Whales.

The exhibit is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays. Carl Cherry Center for the Arts Programs are made possible, in part, through a grant from the Cultural Council for Monterey County. For more information, call 624-7491.

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A CENTENNIAL wall displaying photographs — a tribute to local photographers who have displayed their works through the years at The Thunderbird Bookshop — is currently showing at 3600 The Barnyard Shopping Village, Carmel.

POST-CHRISTMAS: Stash it, store it, or just stuff it



Coffee Break

By Beverly Borgman

SOME THINGS in life are certain: 1) December magazines will always carry deliciously fattening recipes. 2) January magazines will always carry diets to counteract what they did to you in December.

A new certainty has been added: 3) January sales will always feature items in which to store things — cabinets, shelving, stackable drawers and boxes! Millions and millions of colorful plastic boxes that come in sizes such as 45-quart or 50-gallon.

(Which brings to mind two questions: Why the liquid measurements? And where did the manufacturers store all this stuff while waiting for January?)

Clearly, there is a need, particularly if you live in a tiny Carmel cottage. Maybe you bought additional Christmas lights this year. Or more tree ornaments. Maybe you added to your collection of blankets because of unexpected overnight guests.

Or maybe your teenage daughter's collection of cosmetics suddenly outgrew the bathroom cabinet.

Whatever the reason, you can buy boxes that fit under the bed, stack to the ceiling, or hide in the back yard. Boxes that are opaque, boxes you can see into, boxes with handles, boxes with wheels.

Once you've made your selection, there are just two other things to deal with: WHEN will you start packing those boxes? And WHO is going to help you?

The answer to the first is: NOW. If you don't do it in January ("clean slate" and all that), you never will.

Making the cut

The answer to the second is less obvious. Do NOT select an assistant of the opposite sex. Genetics or gender, there exists a wall between men and women when it comes to what to store and what to throw out. No doubt about it, throwing out stuff will be a major part of the task.

My personal experience has been that men think there is NOTHING to throw out, and "what's all the fuss about anyway?" After all, they have just survived Christmas!

Therefore, find a like-minded female. Someone who's a hard worker, but has no guilt about stopping for a cup of coffee and some conversation. Someone who doesn't mind sharing reminiscences about this old dress or that old photograph, but who can cheerfully chuck the whole thing into the trash when push comes to shove.

She'll practice "tough love" where necessary, and will know the difference between Goodwill and "Good grief!"

She should come prepared for at least four hours' work, be dressed for a dirty job, and above all, be cheerful, compassionate and helpful — a regular grown-up Brownie Scout.

The best part

Here's the best part: YOURS TRULY is volunteering for the job. If you live in Carmel and have a closet, shed or pantry that needs ruthless reorganization, write to me at the Carmel Pine Cone, P.O. Box G-1, Carmel, CA 93921. I'll select the most desperate among you, and together we'll figure out a date. (I work best in the morning.)

Might as well throw in a deadline for your pleas — January 29, and P.S., don't forget to buy those storage boxes first.

Milestones

FREDERICK JOY RIDER, 69, director and producer at Carmel's Golden Bough Circle Theatre from 1958 to 1966, died Dec. 14 in Carmel from complications of Parkinson's Disease.



Mr. Rider's extensive theater background included working on the Festival Theater Project with the late Nick Zanides. He was professor of humanities at the Hutchins School of Liberal Studies at Sonoma State University from 1972 to 1991.

Survivors include his wife, Marcia Kuster Rider of Corralitos; son Kevin Kuster Rider of Big Sur and daughter Kate Young-Hunter Rider of San Anselmo.

A celebration of his life will take place 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Circle Theatre of the Golden Bough in Carmel; and at 2 p.m. Jan. 30 on the campus of Sonoma State University. For directions to the service in Sonoma, call the campus at (707) 664-2491.

Contributions in his memory may be sent to the Frederick Rider Memorial Scholarship established at the Hutchins School at Sonoma State; Parkinson's Institute, 1170 Morse Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94089 or Amnesty International, 322 Eighth Ave., NY, NY 10001.

SHERMAN KEELER HARDY, longtime Carmel Valley resident and a retired agricultural consultant, died Jan. 8 at age 97.

A Massachusetts native, he worked as an agricultural consultant for the United Fruit Co. and the Farm Bureau.

He established Hardy Herbs in Lexington, Mass. in the 1940s with his wife, Vera, and they cultivated herbs and herbal products.

A devoted naturalist, fisherman and hiker, Mr. Hardy was instrumental in the clearing and founding of the Vermont and New Hampshire portions of the Appalachian Trail. He was also a ski instructor in the White Mountains, a founding member of the Lexington Arts and Crafts Society and was active in the society's Theater Guild.

He is survived by his daughter, Diana Hardy of Carmel Valley. Mr. Hardy was preceded in death by his wife, his brother, John, and his sister, Ruth.

LOUIS "LOU" JOSEPH ROLLE, who worked on behalf of the Carmel Residents Association, Sunset Center Board, St. Bernards, Friends of Hospice, the Big Sur Land Trust and the Sierra Club, died Dec. 16 at age 80.

A U.C. Berkeley graduate who received his M.B.A. from California State University Stanislaus, Mr. Rolle served during World War II in the armored tank division and with the German liberation.

He spent 25 years as advertising vice president at BBD&O and General Brewing.

Mr. Rolle became involved with SCRAMP upon retiring to the Monterey Peninsula in 1973 and joined the staff of Golden Gate University in 1987. He earned his real estate broker's license in 1994 and was active with the Internal Executive Service Corps, serving both in Jakarta and Kenya.

He lead the computer learning program at the Carmel Foundation and was an active golf and tennis player.

Mr. Rolle was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Jane Ellen Rolle. Survivors include his daughter, Catherine Hogan of Modesto; sons Kenneth of Pacific Grove and Patrick of Atherton; 12 grandchildren and his companion, Marlene Russell.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the Carmel Foundation.

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Carmel Valley

Fish traveling upstream get help from human friends

By MARY BROWNFIELD

STEELHEAD VENTURING up the Carmel River will soon get a boost: The Carmel River Steelhead Association has installed a new, 70-foot fish ladder at the Los Padres Dam.

"The Carmel River Steelhead Association is struggling valiantly to help fish get over the Los Padres Dam with a new ladder," said organization president Roy Thomas.

The fish ladder — roughly a $100,000 venture being funded partially by a $47,750 grant from the California Department of Fish and Game and a $35,000 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation — will complement a ladder already installed at the dam.

"The existing fishway doesn't perform well — 5 to 10 percent of the fish that pass over the San Clemente Dam manage to find the one that's at the Los Padres Dam now — it should be 50 to 80 percent," Thomas said.



A new fish ladder soon to be completed at the Los Padres Dam will enable steelhead to get into the reservoir and continue their travels upstream.

PHOTO/COURTESY HENRY MEYER

The method of transporting fish over the dam is also different. With the existing pathway, fish are netted, trucked over the dam and dumped in the water on the other side.

"Here, they will swim freely into a transportation tank, be driven over the dam and swim out," he said. "I think we have something that will work."

The steelhead association's project involves a ladder — called the Alaska Steep Pass Fishway — designed and used by Alaska's fish and game department in remote areas of that state for more than 30 years.

Made of lightweight aluminum and stainless steel, the ladder is portable enough to fit in a small airplane and can be moved from one location to another, if need be, according to Thomas.

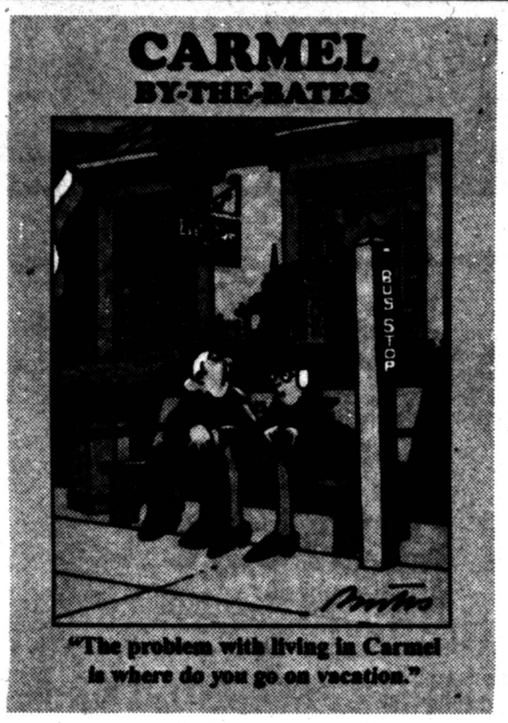
"It was designed for fish having trouble getting through an area temporarily, and because it is lightweight and predesigned, we didn't have to hire an engineer," he said. "Because another dam might be built, we wanted to make sure we had something that could be salvaged and used somewhere else, so that we wouldn't be wasting money."

But, unfortunately, money is a factor, Thomas said — the project's coffers have run dry. In spite of a month's worth of volunteer labor on the part of steelhead association members and a number of donated materials, increased concrete and contractor costs have left the association about $15,000 short, according to Thomas. "It's a remote site and everyone wants to charge more," he said.

Even so, Thomas said the ladder will be the least expensive of those constructed during the last two decades — some, he said, have cost $1 million. "It's the cheapest one that's been built in the last 20 years, but it's still expensive," Thomas said.

"We've had our volunteers moving rocks, digging trenches and carrying pipe, trying to make them all fit together for as little money as possible."

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CALENDARS

From page 7A

Ten business owners said they had mailed checks ranging from $50 to $225 to the calendar company.

Invoices requested payment at a La Jolla address. The checks were deposited at a Bank of America in L.A.

But Carmel High School athletic director Hans Schmidt confirmed to Meacham that the high school had no contract with the company, had never been contacted by it and had not received any of the funds.

Meacham told the court she discovered investigations of High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. underway in San Diego, Mono County and Mendocino County.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Barry Vogel, who said he received numerous complaints at his Mendocino office, was himself solicited by a young caller for the company at his private practice.

A young woman identifying herself as Olivia claimed to be calling from Ukiah High School and asked Vogel for a donation for a Millennium Sports Calendar, the report said. But when he asked her for a call-back phone number, he ended up with an automated line to a pharmaceutical company.

The state is seeking preliminary and permanent injunctions against High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. and civil penalties of $2,500 for each violation of Business and Professional Code sections.

Superior Court Judge Richard M. Silver, granting the temporary restraining order, forbade High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. from soliciting any funds unless it discloses the name and address of each organization, the intended use of the money, the amount to be used for charitable purposes, the amount to be used for expenses, an audited financial statement, proof of tax-exempt status and the percentage of the donation that can be deducted as a charitable contribution. The company cannot solicit funds without receiving authorization from the beneficiary, and all of its accounts are frozen.

Second time around

The case against High School Athletic Calendars, Inc. does not include complaints made by Carmel merchants and Carmel High School a year ago about All Star Calendar Company, another Southern California business that reportedly duped Carmel business owners out of money they thought was benefiting Carmel High.

Again, Carmel High School officials encourage anyone wishing to support the school to do so directly, either through a boosters club or by buying an ad in the school yearbook. All of those donations actually go to the school.

Winter at Santa Lucia Preserve

THE WONDROUS world of the Santa Lucia Preserve is about to open its winter vistas to the public. The first hikers will be welcomed Jan. 22 and 23, according to Julie Sigourney, Outreach Coordinator for the 20,000-acre wildland preserve.

"We will visit the Animus, an open high meadow with sweeping views of the Monterey Peninsula," Sigourney promises. She advises hikers to bring binoculars to watch the gray whales spout as they pass on their southern migration.

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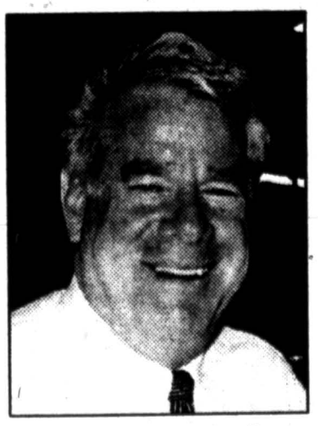
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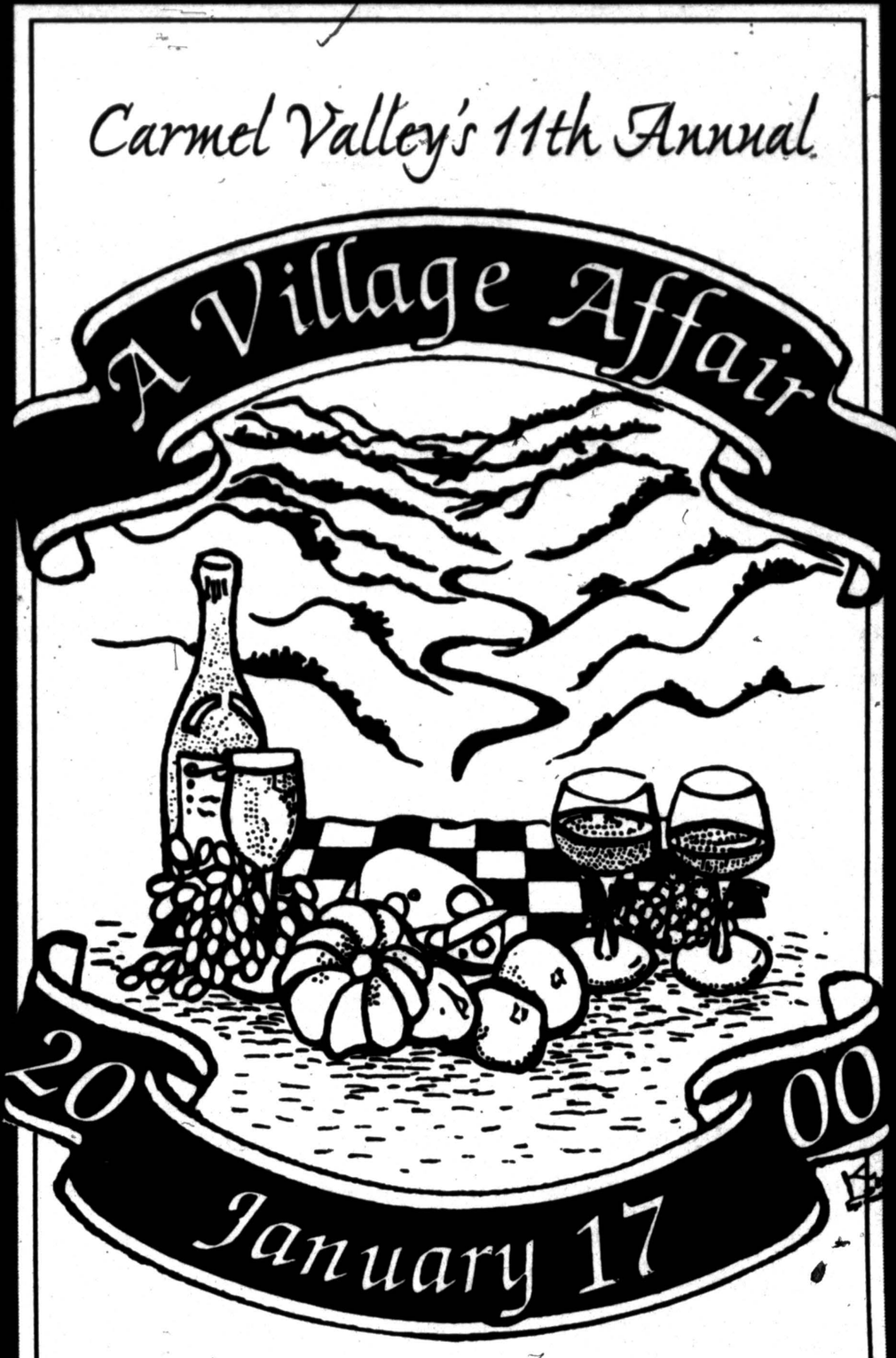
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Editorial

Let the gray water flow

THE SHINING, blue planet we call home has approximately the same amount of water it had 10,000 years — or even 10,000,000 years — ago. When we "use" water we are actually just borrowing it as it makes its way through the hydrological cycle: evaporation, precipitation and runoff. The molecules of H_2O that come out of your tap have undoubtedly been used before by plants and animals, and will be used over and over again in the millennia yet to come. It is important to keep this basic ecological fact in mind as we seek solutions to our water "shortage," which is nothing more than a local shortage of easily accessible, inexpensive, clean water. It can be remedied at any time if only we are willing to do so.

Adding to the local supply of clean water can be costly. Making up the shortfall decreed in 1995 by the state water board will be expensive, no matter what solution is agreed upon. Making better use of the water we have now, however, doesn't have to cost a lot.

Unfortunately, a myriad of dusty government regulations — promulgated in the innocent days before water shortages were invented as a method for controlling growth — are standing in the way of some inventive, inexpensive ways to enhance the local water supply a bit.

For example, the Monterey County Health Department requires that the water you flush down your toilet be 100 percent drinking water. Using "gray" water — from your washing machine or collected as it runs off your roof — is prohibited. It is illegal to use even tertiary-treated water from the sewage treatment plant for any purpose inside a home.

Health officials explain that the possibility of crossed pipes justifies the ban. They ask: What if someone's home were accidentally plumbed so that gray water came out of the kitchen faucet? What if the family pet takes a drink from the toilet and gets less-than-pure water?

Their sensitivity made sense when it was considered a civic necessity to supply unlimited clean water to every resident of the community — and to everybody who wanted to move here.

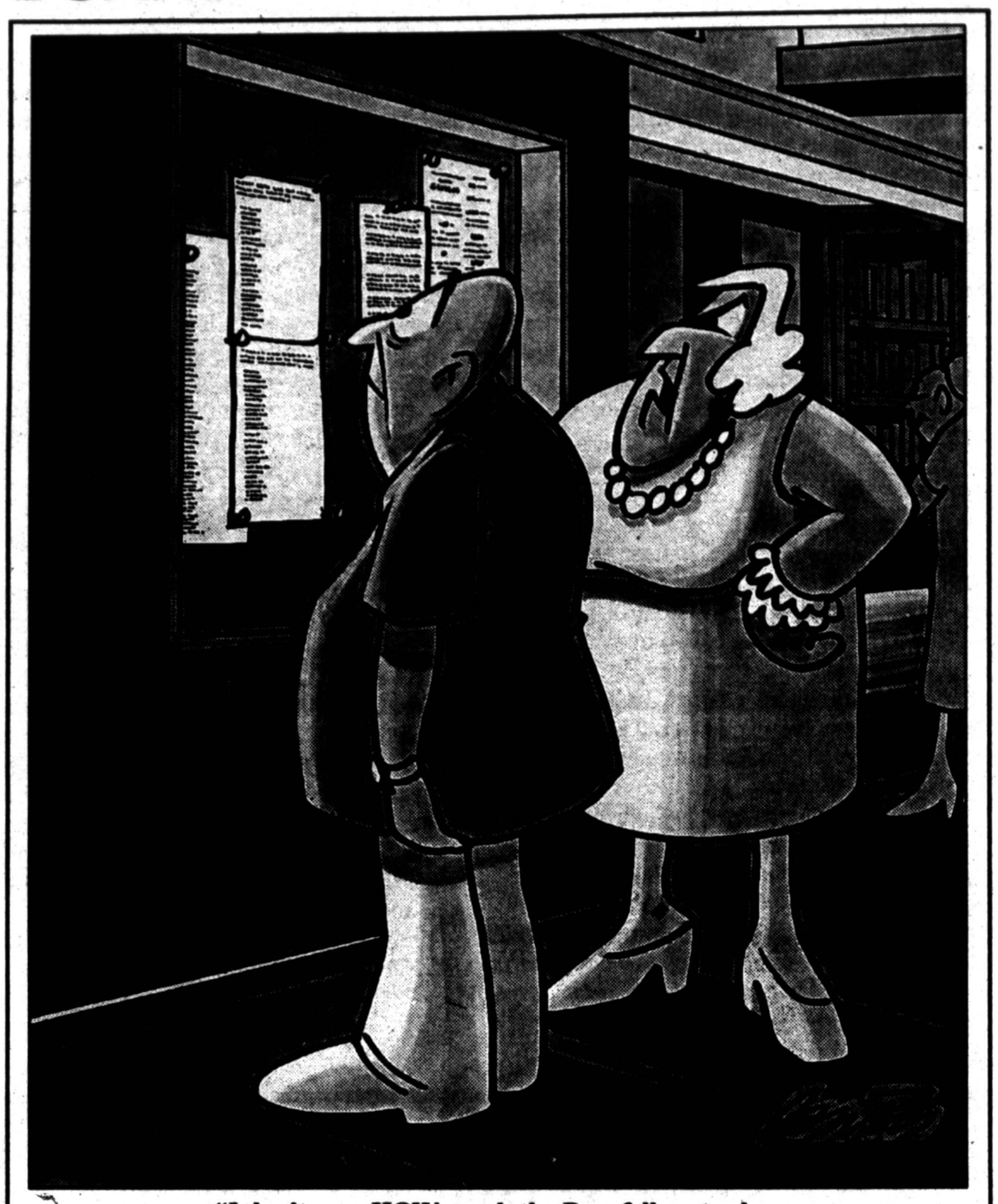
But now that clean water has become scarce and is going to stay that way, a broader approach is required. Propitious use of gray water should be encouraged, not banned. Gray water is not foolproof and plumbing can be done incorrectly. Your electrician can burn your house down, too, if he doesn't hook up your wires properly, but we don't hear anybody calling for an electricity ban.

At the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency's offices in Marina, treated sewer water is successfully used, even by scores of school children on field trips, to flush the toilets. Water straight from the ocean is used to flush the toilets at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The use of gray water in toilets has been common practice in Hong Kong for decades.

The health department should drop its ban on residential use of gray water in toilets and start encouraging it, instead.

BATES ON BOARD

Bill Bates is on a three-month trip around the world on the QE2, where he is the official shipboard cartoonist. This week he is making his way along the coast of Mexico and California before crossing the Pacific.



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Crocodile tears

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to Dave Potter! He is moving forward in his quest to escape the hard work and uncertain prospects of life as a contractor by feeding at the taxpayers' expense as a career politician.

His latest ploy is amusingly hypocritical and transparent. The professional politicians' playbook says — If there is a problem sympathize with those disadvantaged by it even if you helped cause the problem.

The Jan. 7 Carmel Pine Cone lead story about the unbearable congestion on Highway 1 quotes Dave Potter as saying, "The people who sit in their cars have been held hostage long enough."

At-a-boy, Dave! The one problem with your crocodile tears for us is that the people of the Carmel Highlands, Big Sur and the Carmel Valley have not forgotten that it was you and your geographically distant buddy, Fred Keeley, who are the reason that we are held hostage because you, Potter and Keeley, were successful in killing the solution to the Highway 1 traffic jam, the Hatton Canyon Parkway.

Donald E. Corzine, *Carmel Highlands*

Unworthy of serious consideration

Dear Editor:

Your feature article in the Jan. 7 Pine Cone would lead your readers to believe a substandard climbing lane is a quick fix for the gridlock in the Carmel area of Hwy 1.

The long list of inadequacies make this proposal unworthy of any serious consideration. They are, for the most part, illegal, unsafe and should be rejected outright.

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■ The lanes would be too narrow for autos, let alone 8-foot-wide trucks.

■ There would be no walking path for the high school students.

■ There would be no bicycle path.

■ There would be no emergency lane for stalled vehicles.

■ To go south the residents on the high school side of Hwy. 1 would be required to turn right at Hwy. 1, then turn right at the high school, go into the parking lot, make a "U" turn and come back through the stoplight and make a left turn to go south.

■ The overhanging limbs of the pine trees on both sides of the road will require major limb removal. Pine trees don't like that and will probably die because of the severe limb removal.

■ During peak hours, with all 3 lanes full, emergency vehicles could not get through to the hospital since there would no room for the cars to pull over to let them through. Fire trucks could not reach a burning vehicle and helicopters could not remove the injured because of the trees along side of the road.

Caltrans would not design such a plan in a million years. This is not a Caltrans design and if they allow it to be built it will because of political pressure.

Early last year, the Board of Supervisors had the Hatton Canyon traffic solution in their hands, ready to go, but they delayed it for the Prunedale bypass project that is presently only in the talking stage. They have no right-of-way and no design. The state has agreed to correct the safety problems in the Prunedale 101 corridor with flyovers at each of the dangerous intersections.

The Prunedale flyovers and the Hatton Canyon project would solve two of the most critical traffic problems in the county in a timely manner.

The Board of Supervisors transferred the money away from the Hatton Canyon Project but they can transfer it back. The traffic solution is in their hands if they have the professional courage to do it. Keep this in mind at election time.

George Ferguson,
Carmel

Shout Hallelujah!

Dear Editor,

When I read your story about the possibility that a second uphill lane might soon be constructed on Highway 1 north of Carmel Valley Road I wanted to throw open the shutters and shout Hallelujah. Please, people, no matter where you stand on Hatton Canyon, don't stand in the way of this desperately needed solution to the traffic that makes life miserable for all of us who live and work south of Carmel. There's still plenty of time to argue over the long-term solution to our traffic woes. In the meantime, let's get the traffic moving a bit faster — for our sake!

Janice Sullivan
Carmel Highlands

Marriage should not be restricted

Dear Editor:

Your editorial "Just give us one politician of a different kind" (Dec. 31, 1999) made some valid points, the unintelligibility of the I.R. S. Code one of the best. We no longer feel safe doing our tax forms.

However, you disappointed us when you did not really delve into your wonderful insight "that the best system of government is one that protects human liberty, fosters individual achievement and has strict limits on state control over the lives of its citizens"— the kind of thinking worthy of Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, and Paine!

You worry about impositions of free air and water and use of ATM machines while California citizens are being asked via Proposition 22 to restrict (twice, for the restriction is already state law) marriage commitments. How does such a double (or single) restriction protect human liberty?

It seems to us that marriage commitments freely given between or among cognizant adults should be an individual liberty protected — not restricted — by governments.

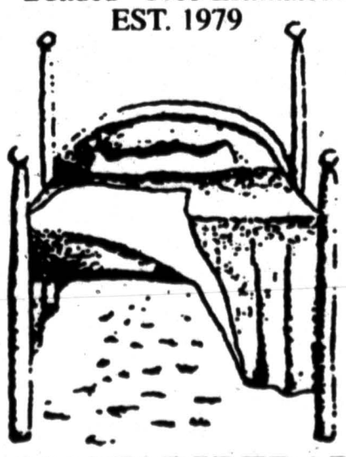
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By Myles Williams

You can beat the winter blues by working them out with a healthy workout. Up to twenty percent of Americans suffer from SAD (seasonal affective disorder) which usually occurs from late autumn throughout the winter. SAD tends to affect twice as many women as men, and symptoms include a lack of energy, varying degrees of depression, diminished sexual drive and occasionally, increased appetite. One solution for people who suffer from SAD is light therapy. Light stimulates the production of seratonin,a neurotransmitter known to improve one's mood. Research indicates changes in diet (such as increased protein), and increased exercise will act as natural seratonin boosters. In more severe cases, SAD is treated with anti-depressants.

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Marjorie Calabrese is still involved with high school-even though she's now in her late eighties. From her home in Florida, she's been coordinating her Connecticut high school reunion of the remaining twenty-nine classmates every year since 1960. Her classmates, also in their late eighties, are hardly innocent pupils. They have seen a lot and survived two World Wars, the Great Depression and the 1955 flood.

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CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL IGUANAS NABBED IN THE NIGHT

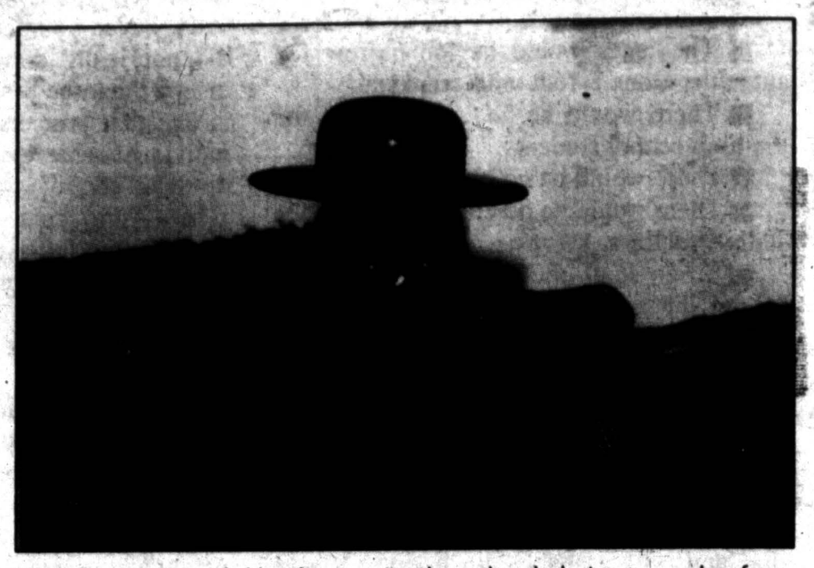
By MARY BROWNFIELD

TWO MALE iguanas disappeared from their room in the Carmel High School wood shop Jan. 11, the most recent in a string of animal thefts from the same area, according to Monterey County Sheriff's Deputy John Burke.

The thief had not gained entry to the wood shop building by force, suggesting the person either had access to a key or was lying in wait inside until it was locked up. Burke said he suspects the perpetrator has a key, since other pets, including turtles and snakes, have been stolen from the same spot in the past.

Although the thefts have occurred more than once, Burke said he believes a novice did the job.

"It was amateurish. You can tell by the way they spent half an hour to an hour trying to get into that room for $200 worth of iguanas," Burke said. The lizards are reportedly worth more on the street than they are in a pet shop, where they might sell for between $100 and $150 a piece.



Two iguanas, much like this one (without the derby) were stolen from Carmel High.

"Once inside, the person used a screwdriver to pry the molding off the Plexiglass. When they couldn't get the Plexiglass window to pop out, they tried to pry the doorknob off," he said. "When that didn't work, they kicked the window, then busted the glass, turned the knob and gained entry."

Burke said the thief left a wealth of physical evidence behind.

The two iguanas, both males, are ages 3-1/2 and 5, and about 30 to 40 inches long, according to Burke. "And their bites can be very painful," he warned.

But iguanas are not a hearty species, and require a consistent balance of heat and humidity to survive. Often a simple move from one location to another can cause them to stop eating and eventually die.

"What is of concern to the teacher who brought them there is that they're very delicate animals — they need the right heat and humidity or they will pass on," Burke said. "They will kill themselves, and it's a slow death. That's pretty sad."

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TREE

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charge the driver with hit-and-run.

Although no other car or person was involved, Rana said any accident involving damage to anyone else's property — even a city-owned pine tree — must be reported to the police immediately.

"If there's any kind of property damage, you must stop and notify the police, or at least the owner of the property," Rana said. "You have to make every attempt to contact the opposing party."

But Johnson said he was surprised to learn that running into a tree constituted a hit-and-run. "I had no idea that if you hit a tree you have to report it. If you hit a car or a person, obviously you have to," he said. "I didn't intend to hide it."

Johnson, who was located after authorities noticed the crash site early Tuesday morning and followed the tire mark to his house, had told Rana "he just wanted to get home."

And after a close call the next day while driving his Jeep, Johnson said he might actively pursue making the use of cell phones illegal in cars.

"Cell phones are a scary thing in cars. They're convenient, but last night I was driving my other car, a Jeep Wagoneer, and I went to receive a call and it damn near could have happened again," he said. "Especially with the tight streets in Carmel, the darkness, the parked cars and the trees, I'm tempted to start a campaign against using cell phones in cars."

The cost of the damage to the car, currently in the hands of Johnson's insurance company, has yet to be determined.

As for the tree — which has already been inspected by Carmel's department of forestry — Rana said it will survive.

He said, "He sheered off a good inch-worth of bark, but other than that, I think it's going to be okay."

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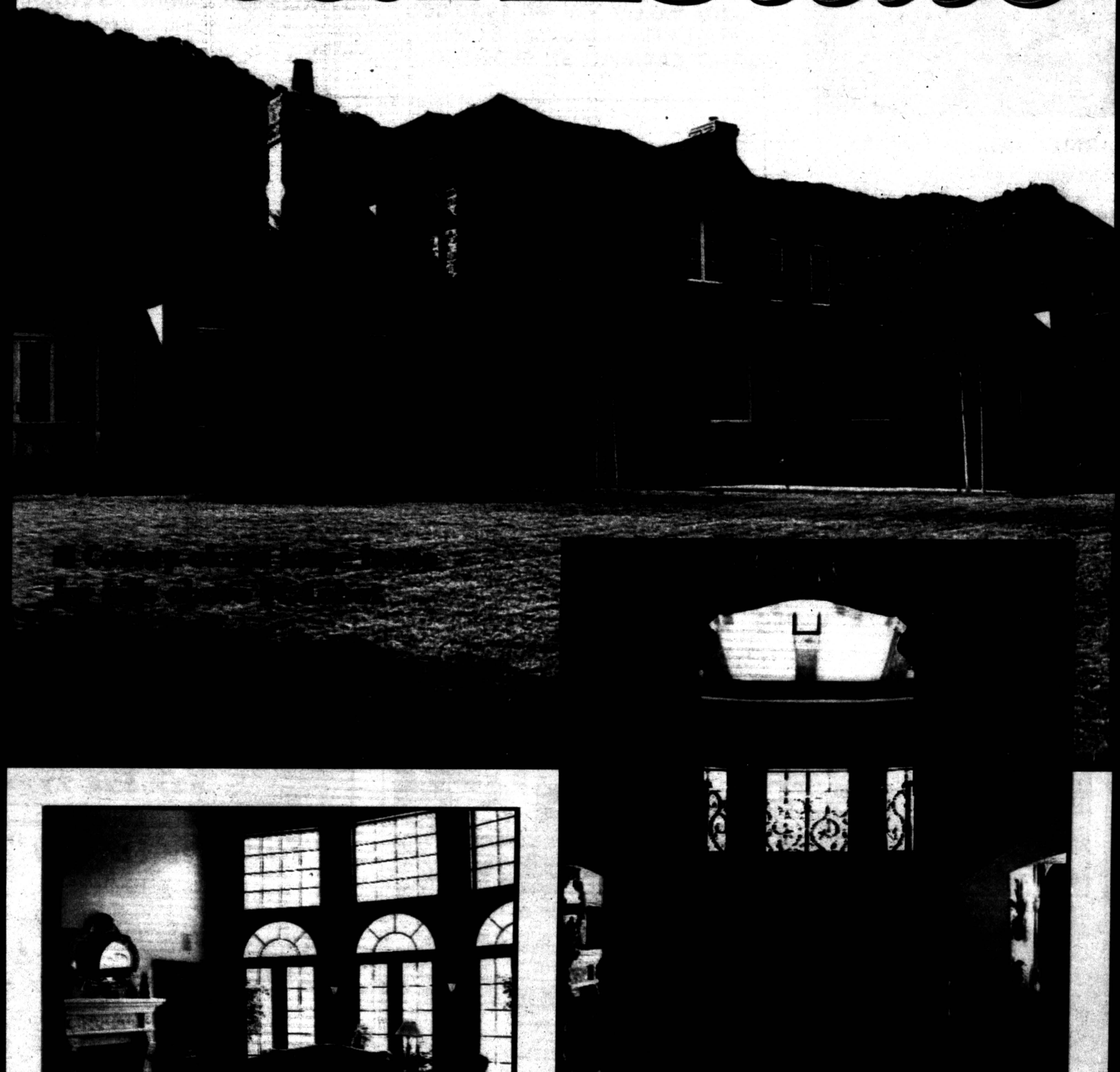
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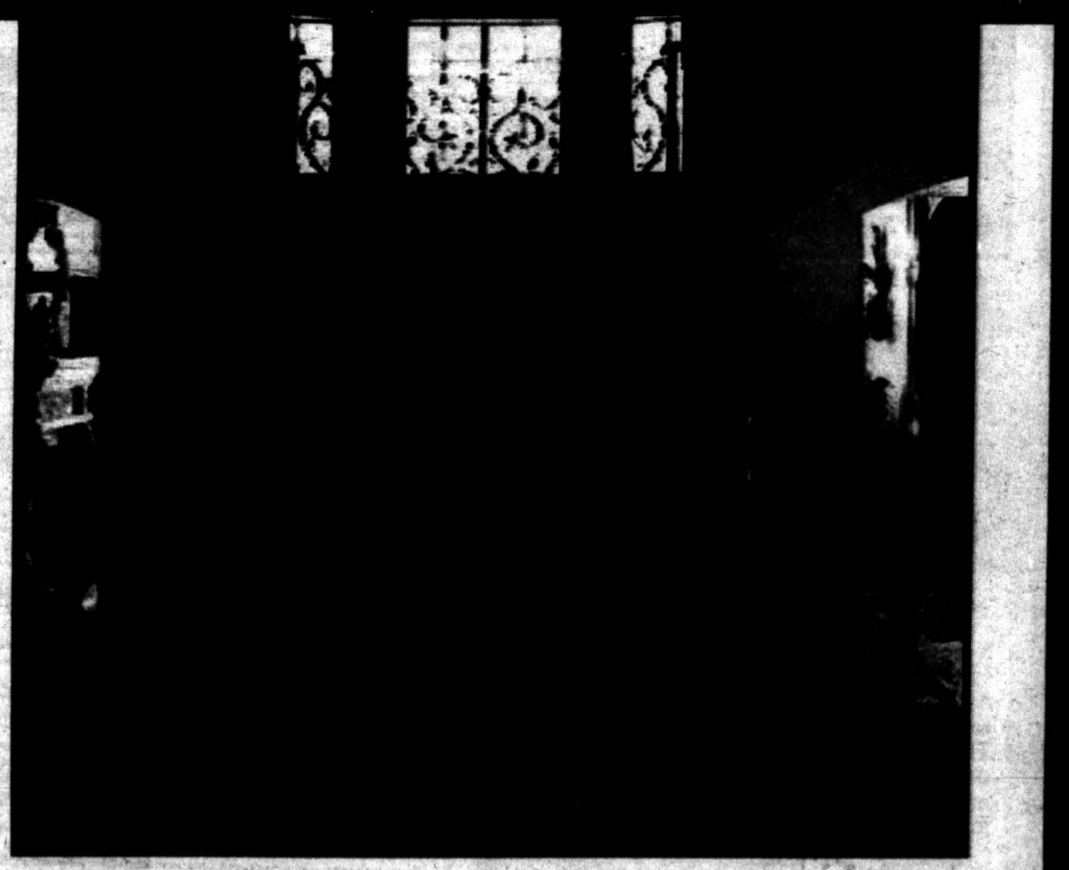
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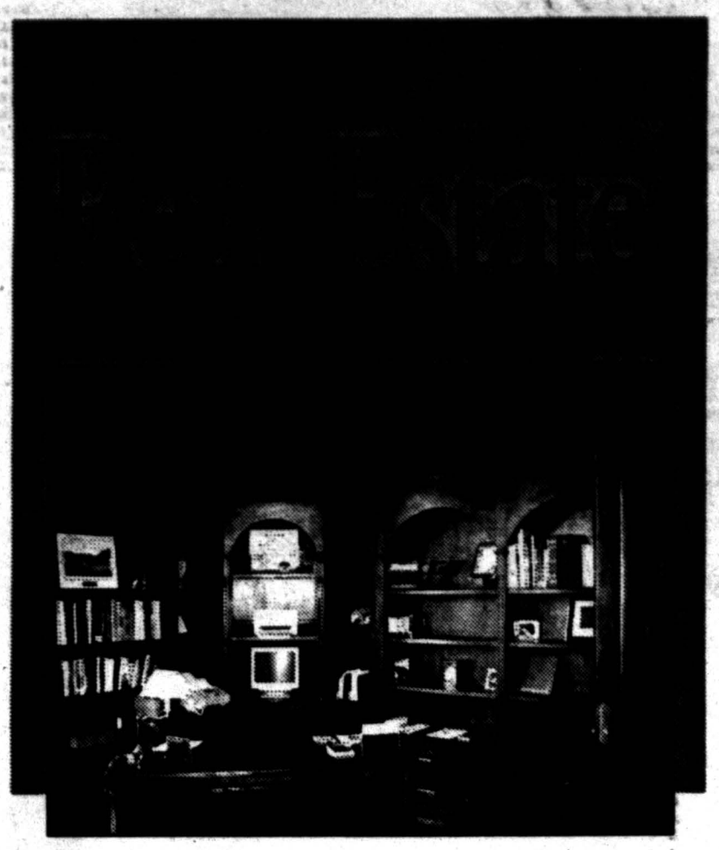




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Donald & Connie McBride to Thomas & Valerie Hillesheim
PERRY NEWBERRY WY: $525,000
Simone B Johnson Tr to Noah A & Candace D Trosky
26207 VALLEY VW AV: $950,000
G W & L P Picard Tr to Philip S Chase
26147 CARMELO ST: $902,500
Marjorie Nystrom Tr to Carolyn M Gelzer

CARMEL - SOUTH COAST

None

CARMEL VALLEY

25870 ELINORE PL: $625,000
Louise E Mc Clain Tr to Donald & Constance C Smith McBride
53 HACIENDA CARMEL: $210,000
Gordon M Robertson to Russell & Edith Merritt

PEBBLE BEACH

1532 DEER PATH: $1,660,000
Mary E Connolly Tr to John P & Gloria Anastasia

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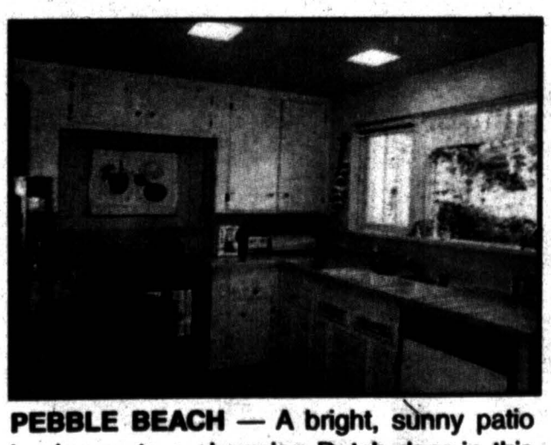
PEBBLE BEACH — This immaculate front-line Spanish Bay residence has fabulous ocean and golf views. The home has three bedrooms, four baths, formal living room, dining room, office and kitchen with breakfast nook. Just steps to the Spanish Bay Clubhouse and athletic facility, the residence overlooks the practice putting green, first tee and rolling first fairway to the ocean beyond.
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$905,000 **624-0136**

Address	Host	Price
CARMEL		
Junipero 3 NE/3rd 3 BR/2 BA	Jack Johnson	$899,000 1:00-4:00
PEBBLE BEACH		
#4 Spyglass Woods Drive 3 BR/3 BA	Jim Pierce	$795,000 1:00-4:00
1033 Matador Road 2 BR/2 BA	Myrle McLoughlin	$905,000 1:00-3:00
MONTEREY		
741 McCellan 2 BR/1 BA	Mark Trapin	$328,000 1:00-4:00
SALINAS		
757 Ambrose Drive 3 BR/2 BA	Lee Mink	$325,000 1:00-3:00
23016 Espada Drive 4 BR/3 BA	Lee Goodenough	$435,000 1:00-4:00

Address	Host	Price
CARMEL		
Junipero 3 NE/3rd 3BR/2 BA	JoAnna Tupman	$899,000 1:00-4:00
24694 Pescadero 2 BR/1 BA	Mark Trapin	$419,000 11:00-1:00
PEBBLE BEACH		
#4 Spyglass Woods Drive 3 BR/3 BA	Jack Johnson	$795,000 1:00-4:00
MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY		
292 San Benancio Road 3 BR/3 BA	Debra Noel Shoquist	$479,000 1:00-4:00
SALINAS		
23016 Espada Drive 4 BR/3 BA	Elaine St. John	$435,000 1:30-4:00

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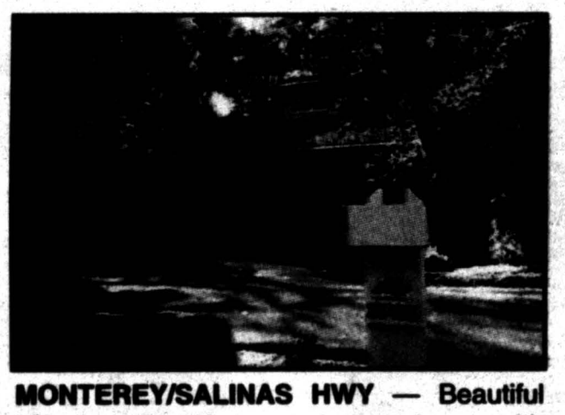
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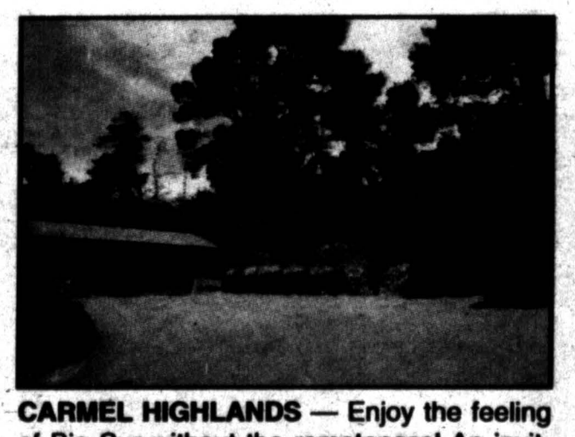
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Fourth quarter and year-end report

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NO ONE knows for sure when the Bohemian era ended in Carmel. We just know that no true Bohemian has been able to afford a place around here for years. It is unlikely that the impoverished poets and sages of our time could even afford a place in Seaside or Marina today, the last bastions of affordability on the Monterey Peninsula.

Although the date of the disappearance of our local Bohemians is clouded, we do know when the era of millionaires began. That is clearly marked, and it is 1999.

Ponder this. Thirty-six percent — 25 out of 69 — of the houses sold in Carmel during the fourth quarter of that golden year fetched more than $1 million.

In Pebble Beach, 40 percent of the properties sold surpassed the million dollar mark during the same period. Although three of the 10 markets — Del Rey Oaks, Marina and Seaside — had no million dollar sales during the quarter, 16.2 percent of the homes sold on the Peninsula during the fourth quarter topped $1 million.

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Million dollar houses are now the norm in the tonier areas of our Peninsula.

1999 price gains — Monterey tops the charts

Median sales prices in Monterey reached $290,000 in 1995. Then they slipped backwards for a couple of years, and eked their way upwards to $300,000 in 1998. In 1999 Monterey made its price move: up 32.7% during the year. In the middle of 1999 we noted that Monterey was the lagging market, the only one where a buyer might find a "deal." That window of opportunity is closed, at least for the time being.

Leading the rest of the pack, Carmel Valley was up 23.7 percent on the year, Marina 23 percent and South Coast 22.7 percent.

Dollar volume jumps 21.5% — Carmel leads

The dollar volume of transactions during the year was impressive. Carmel, the dollar volume leader, recorded $256,438,000 in sales during the year, a jump of 32.5 percent over the excellent numbers logged in 1998. Pebble Beach was second, Salinas-Monterey Highway third, Monterey fourth and Pacific Grove fifth. Monterey again had the biggest percentage gain during the year, jumping 40.2 percent above 1998 figures.

Gross dollar volume for the Monterey Peninsula for all of 1999 was $898,213,000, an increase of 21.5 percent over 1998.



House Talk

By Paul & Nellie Brocchini

Low inventory

The year 2000 is beginning with a low inventory of properties on the Monterey Peninsula. In the 10 Peninsula markets, the New Year began with only 432 listings. One hundred seventy-eight of those were in escrow, leaving on-ly 254 net listings available to buy.

Days on Market
Full Year

Town	1998	1999
Carmel	94	102
Carmel Vly	127	107
D. Rey Oaks	62	14
Marina	66	34
Monterey	72	57
P. Grove	59	54
Pebble Bch	147	133
Salinas Hwy	102	87
Seaside	72	43
So. Coast	233	198

MARKET BAROMETER
Five Quarter Review
Hottest to Coldest Market
Fourth Quarter 1999
(In Descending Order)

Date	In Escrow vs./Lstngs	Percent
Carmel		
01/01/00	**55/105**	**52.38**
10/01/99	44/135	32.59
07/01/99	45/132	34.09
04/01/99	43/142	29.58
01/01/99	45/141	31.91
Seaside		
01/01/00	**16/31**	**51.61**
10/01/99	24/40	60.00
07/01/99	22/40	55.00
04/01/99	30/50	60.00
01/01/99	19/40	47.50
Del Rey Oaks		
01/01/00	**2/4**	**50.00**
10/01/99	1/1	100.00
07/01/99	0/3	00.00
04/01/99	0/0	00.00
01/01/99	0/0	00.00
Marina		
01/01/00	**10/22**	**45.45**
10/01/99	13/33	39.39
07/01/99	9/25	36.00
04/01/99	11/22	50.00
01/01/99	7/16	43.75
Pebble Beach		
01/01/00	**21/51**	**41.18**
10/01/99	18/66	27.27
07/01/99	22/67	32.84
04/01/99	24/65	36.92
01/01/99	13/71	18.31
Pacific Grove		
01/01/00	**18/49**	**36.73**
10/01/99	22/67	32.83
07/01/99	16/55	29.09
04/01/99	22/53	41.51
01/01/99	16/41	39.0
Carmel Valley		
01/01/00	**18/55**	**32.73**
10/01/99	29/82	35.37
07/01/99	22/81	27.16
04/01/99	32/83	38.55
01/01/99	23/72	31.94
South Coast		
01/01/00	**8/26**	**30.77**
10/01/99	6/35	17.14
07/01/99	8/41	19.51
04/01/99	5/31	16.13
01/01/99	5/36	13.89
Monterey		
01/01/00	**17/56**	**30.36**
10/01/99	23/63	36.51
07/01/99	34/68	50.00
04/01/99	22/55	40.00
01/01/99	26/58	44.83
Salinas/Mty Highway		
01/01/00	**13/33**	**24.53**
10/01/99	33/76	43.42
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01/01/99	25/72	34.72



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LENDERS	30-YEAR FIXED CONFORMING (LOANS TO $252,700)			30-YEAR FIXED JUMBO (LOANS OVER $240,000)			ADJUSTABLE/FIRST (ARM)					
	Rate %	APR	Points	Rate %	APR	Points	Rate %	APR	Points	Max %	Index	Margin
First National Bank 800-832-2223	8.00	8.27	1.00	8.25	8.46	1.00	6.25	7.55	1.00	11.25	1-yr TBill	2.50
Monterey County Bank 649-4600	7.50	7.55	0.00	8.00	8.05	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

All Rates have been supplied by the lenders prior to publication, are subject to change, and do not constitute a commitment to lend.

REAL ESTATE

Median Sales Prices 1994 to 1999

Town	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Carmel	$450,000	$429,000	$480,000	$522,500	$567,500	$650,000
Carmel Valley	$397,500	$392,500	$413,000	$488,500	$493,000	$610,000
Del Rey Oaks	$225,500	$212,750	$209,000	$210,000	$230,000	$275,000
Marina	$175,500	$185,500	$188,750	$189,500	$199,250	$245,000
Monterey	$250,000	$290,000	$282,000	$282,125	$300,000	$398,000
Pacific Grove	$247,200	$265,750	$266,000	$295,000	$352,500	$398,250
Pebble Beach	$535,000	$500,625	$530,000	$585,000	$750,000	$745,000
Salinas Highway	$310,000	$315,000	$317,000	$369,500	$375,000	$430,000
Seaside	$142,000	$146,000	$143,800	$145,000	$160,000	$185,000
South Coast	$475,000	$792,500	$775,000	$742,500	$627,500	$770,000

The market was already tight at the beginning of last year when there were only 368 net listings available. This year's figure is a 31 percent decline below last year's tight market.

Our Market Barometer, a measure of activity, shows the percentage of current listings that are in escrow. Carmel, for the first time, topped the barometer scale with 55 out of 105 listings in escrow, a reading of 52.38 percent. This is truly amazing. Carmel, as defined by the Multiple Listing Service, is a large area that in addition to Carmel-by-the-Sea includes Carmel Woods, Carmel Point, Hatton Fields, Carmel Mission, High Meadows, North and South Carmel Hills, Jack's Peak and Carmel Meadows. Normally the barometer reading is dragged down by the markets outside the village which do not sell as readily as the village proper.

That was not the case in late 1999 where properties moved off the market with alacrity in all areas.

Median Sales Price Comparisons

	Full Yr 1998	4th Qtr 1998	4th Qtr 1999
Carmel	$568,750	$650,000	$749,000
Carmel Valley	$489,000	$515,000	$679,513
Del Rey Oaks	$230,000	$N/A	$N/A
Marina	$199,250	$207,000	$270,500
South Coast	$665,000	$784,500	$875,000
Monterey	$300,000	$335,000	$439,500
Pacific Grove	$352,000	$363,000	$405,000
Pebble Beach	$769,000	$661,250	$782,750
Salinas Highway	$375,000	$333,000	$487,667
Seaside	$160,000	$165,000	$228,000

A strong buy

The end of the boom is not in sight. Although more properties should be coming on the market as we move into the year, it appears to us that the upward pressure on prices will continue. We

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SALINAS-MTRY. HWY. • $1,495,000

The Oak Hill Estate is a splendid property on a private 2.5 acre lot that is nestled among the oak trees. The meandering pathways that lead to the gazebo, rose garden and a handcrafted potting house that is capped by a cupola, enhance the true beauty of the landscaped grounds. Most of the main rooms of this lovely 4800 sq. ft., Cape Cod style home offer panoramic bay views that span from Santa Cruz to Pebble Beach. And, the 1000 sq. ft. deck allows you to enjoy sail boats by day and city lights by night! Exquisite in every sense!

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PEBBLE BEACH • $2,899,000

Set high on a very private, one-acre, park-like setting and only two blocks to The Lodge, this home offers ocean views and amazing architecture. This stunning contemporary is only 12 years old and has over 5000 sq. ft. of living space. Magnificent "great room" with soaring ceilings and lots of natural light, four bedrooms, four-and-one-half baths, separate office, library hallway, loft retreat, an abundance of decking and patios, guest house with laundry and kitchen, workshop, 2-car garage and carport. Great for entertaining, this residence must be experienced!

SALINAS-MTRY. HWY. • $725,000

Beautiful custom built home in a private, serene setting. This unique home offers a great floor plan, spacious rooms, vaulted ceilings and a separate guest suite with fireplace. 3bd/3ba, 2993 sq. ft., floors of tile, slate, wood and carpeting. 2-car garage, breakfast room, office, pantry and workshop.

CARMEL • $650,000

NEW LISTING! Charming cottage with a contemporary flair. The gated courtyard leads to a 3bd/2ba updated home with oak floors and skylights. Cozy fireplace, garden window in the kitchen. 1-car garage and lovely gardens. In move-in condition, this home would be the perfect year round residence or weekend getaway.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS • $1,600,000

Tastefully remodeled, private, single level contemporary surrounded by beautiful landscaped grounds. Filtered views of Pt. Lobos, extensive use of granite and marble throughout, 3 fireplaces, office suite and a master suite with steam room and a seven-foot Jacuzzi. 3bd/3.5ba, 3000 sq. ft., 1 acre, basement, back-up generator, radiant heat and much more!



GILROY • $325,000

NEW LISTING! 3bd/2ba, 1650 sq. ft. home in a great location. Newly landscaped, newly painted interior, large back yard and close to a school, park and library. Open and airy with large bedrooms, two wood burning fireplaces, central air conditioning and a 2-car garage. An easy commute to Silicon Valley via Cal Train.

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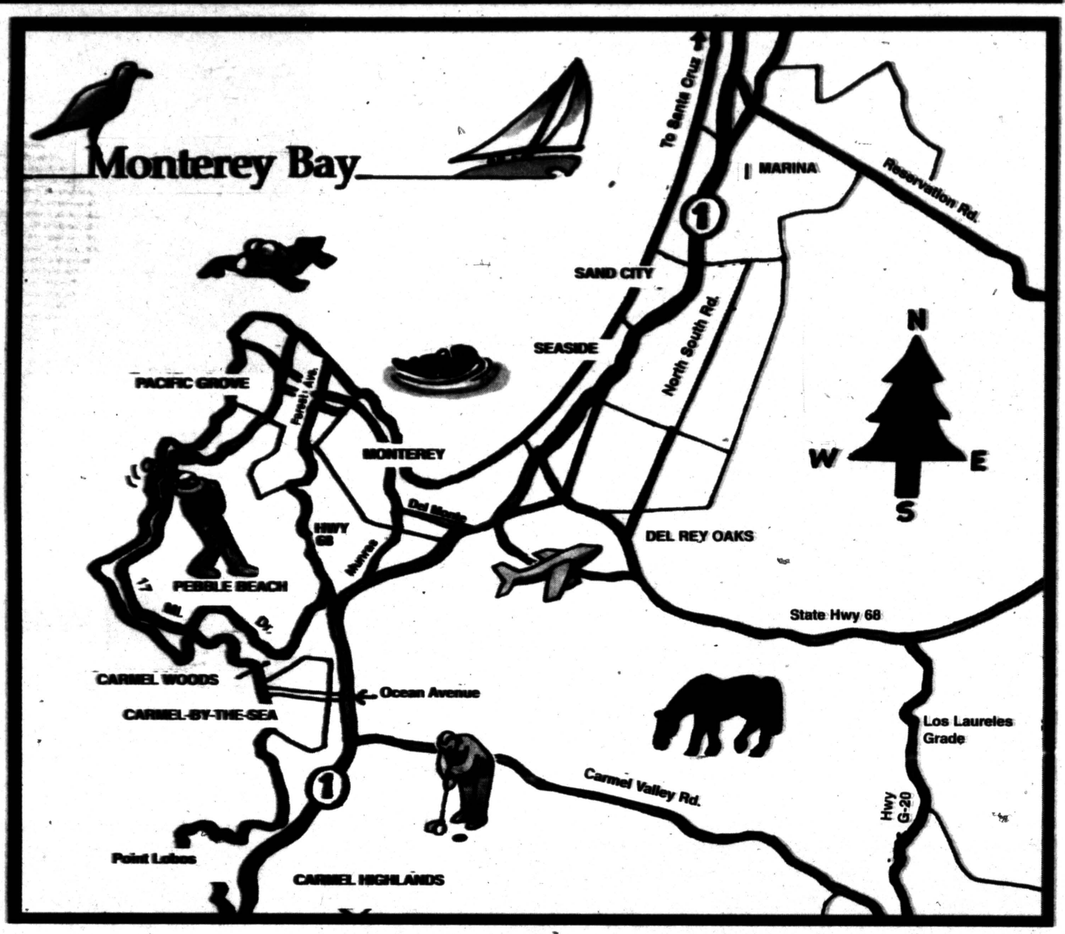
Carmel Pine Cone Open Houses

Carmel

$[illegible]	2bd/1ba	Su 11-1
24894 Pescadero		Carmel
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$695,000	1bd/1ba	Su 2-4
Junipero 2 NW of 11th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$815,000	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 2-4
25854 Morse Dr		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$819,000	3bd/3.5ba	Sa 12-3
0 Carpenter/ x Lwr Tr Nr Hwy 1		Carmel
Carmel Realty		624-6482
$825,000	3bd/3ba	Su 2-4
Santa Rita 3 NE of First		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$850,000	3bd/2ba	Su 1-4
Lobos 4 SW 2nd		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$739,500	2bd/1ba	Sa Su 1-3
2790 Ribera Road		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$795,000	3bd/2ba	Sa 12-3
Mission & 13th, SE Corner		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$829,000	2bd/2ba	Su 1-3
Torres 2 SE Mountain View		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$875,000	4bd/2ba	Su 1-4
3 SW Flanders Wy on Acacia		Carmel
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula		214-3535
$869,000	3bd/2.5ba	Sa Su 2-3
Lincoln 4 SW of 7th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2225
$869,000	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 1-4
Junipero 3NE/3rd		Carmel
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$869,000	3bd/3.5ba	Sa 1-3
3325 Trevis Way		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
$1,150,000	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 1-4
11th 2 SE Lincoln		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$1,295,000	5bd/4.5ba	Su 2-4
25000 Santa Fe		Carmel
John Saar Properties		622-7227
$1,350,000	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 1-4
Santa Fe 2 SE 4th		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$1,395,000	3bd/3.5ba	Su 2-3
24808 Upper Trail		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$1,395,000	3bd/3.5ba	Sa 2-4
24808 Upper Trail		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$1,550,000	4bd/3.5ba	Su 1-3
24005 Fairfield Place		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$1,595,000	3bd/3ba	Su 2-4
Carmelo 4 SW of 4th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$1,600,000	3bd/3ba	Su 2-4
25706 Hatton Rd		Carmel
John Saar Properties		622-7227
$1,775,000	4bd/4ba	Su 1-3
3345 7th Ave		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$1,795,000	3bd/3ba	Fr-Su 11-5
SW Cor. Camino Real & Ocean		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$2,200,000	5bd/3.5ba	Sa 2-4
2486 17th Ave		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$2,450,000	3bd/4ba	Sa Su 2-4
25834 Hatton Rd		Carmel
John Saar Properties		622-7227

Carmel Valley

$[illegible]		Sa Su 1-3
34 Hacienda Carmel		Carmel Valley
Fouratt-Simmons		624-3829
$[illegible]	2bd/2ba	Su 2-4
202 Hacienda Carmel		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$549,000	3bd/2ba	Su 1-3
25460 Tierra Grande		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$630,000	3bd/2ba	Su 2-4
25395 Telerana Wy		Carmel Valley
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula		214-2376



$[illegible]	4bd/3ba	Su 1-4
53 Toyon Way		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$825,000	3bd/3ba	Sa 12-3
31640 Via La Estrella		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$949,000	3bd/2.5ba	Su 2-4
26179 Rinconada Rd		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$949,000	4bd/2.5ba	Su 1-3
27161 Prado del Sol		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221

Carmel Highlands

$1,600,000	3bd/2.5ba	Sa Su 2-4
156 Spindrift Way		Cmel Highland
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$1,700,000	4bd/4ba	Sa 1-3
2 Mt. Devon		Cmel Highland
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2225

Monterey

$328,000	2bd/1ba	Su 1-4
741 McClellan		Monterey
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$425,000	1bd/1ba	Su 1-4
125 Surf Way #309		Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$439,000	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 2-4
78 Via Esperanza		Monterey
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula		214-3535
$469,000	3bd/2ba	Su 1-4
1198 Josselyn Canyon		Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$469,000	3bd/2ba	Su 2-4
250 Soledad Dr		Monterey
John Saar Properties		622-7227
$575,000	4bd/2.5ba	Su 2-4
3 Victoria Rise		Monterey
Re/Max Monterey Peninsula		214-2376
$680,000	3bd/2.5ba	Sa 12-2
6 Zaragoza Views		Monterey
John Saar Properties		622-7227

Mty/Salinas Hwy

$459,000	3bd/2.5ba	Sa 12-3
257 San Benancio Cyn		MtrySlns Hwy
John Saar Properties		622-7227
$479,000	3bd/2ba	Su 1-4
292 San Benancio Rd		MtrySlns Hwy
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$485,000	3bd/2.5ba	Su 1-4
25080 Baronet Dr		MtrySlns Hwy
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$599,000	4bd/3ba	Sa Su 2-4
23 Seca Place		MtrySlns Hwy
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$1,495,000	5bd/4.5ba	Su 1-3
26156 Paseo del Sur		MtrySlns Hwy
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040

Pacific Grove

$[illegible]	3bd/1.5ba	Sa 2-4
1308 Lincoln		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$[illegible]	3bd/2ba	Su 1-3
1151 Montecito		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
$[illegible]	4bd/2ba	Su 1-4
827 Gibson Ave		Pacific Grove
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$[illegible]	3bd/2ba	Sa Su 1-3
853 Balboa Ave		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
$[illegible]	4bd/3ba	Sa Su 1-4
369 Gibson Ave		Pacific Grove
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$795,000	3bd/2ba	Su 1-3
211 4th St		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
$825,000	3bd/2ba	Su 12-2
711 Pine Ave		Pacific Grove
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222

Pebble Beach

$795,000	3bd/3ba	Sa Su 1-3
4 Spyglass Woods Dr		Pebble Beach
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$795,000	5bd/3ba	Sa Su 1-4
4036 Costado Place		Pebble Beach
John Saar Properties		622-7227
$805,000	2bd/2ba	Sa 1-3
1033 Matador Rd		Pebble Beach
Mitchell Group		624-0136

Salinas

$559,000	4bd/3ba	Su 1-3
15849 Pleasant Valley		Salinas
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
$325,000	3bd/2ba	Sa 1-3
757 Ambrose Dr		Salinas
Mitchell Group		624-0136
$435,000	4bd/2ba	Sa Su 1-4
23016 Espada Dr		Salinas
Mitchell Group		624-0136

Seaside

$219,995	2bd/1ba	Sa 1-4
1857 Noche Buena St		Seaside
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
$365,000	3bd/2.5ba	Su 1-3
1199 Luxton St		Seaside
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222

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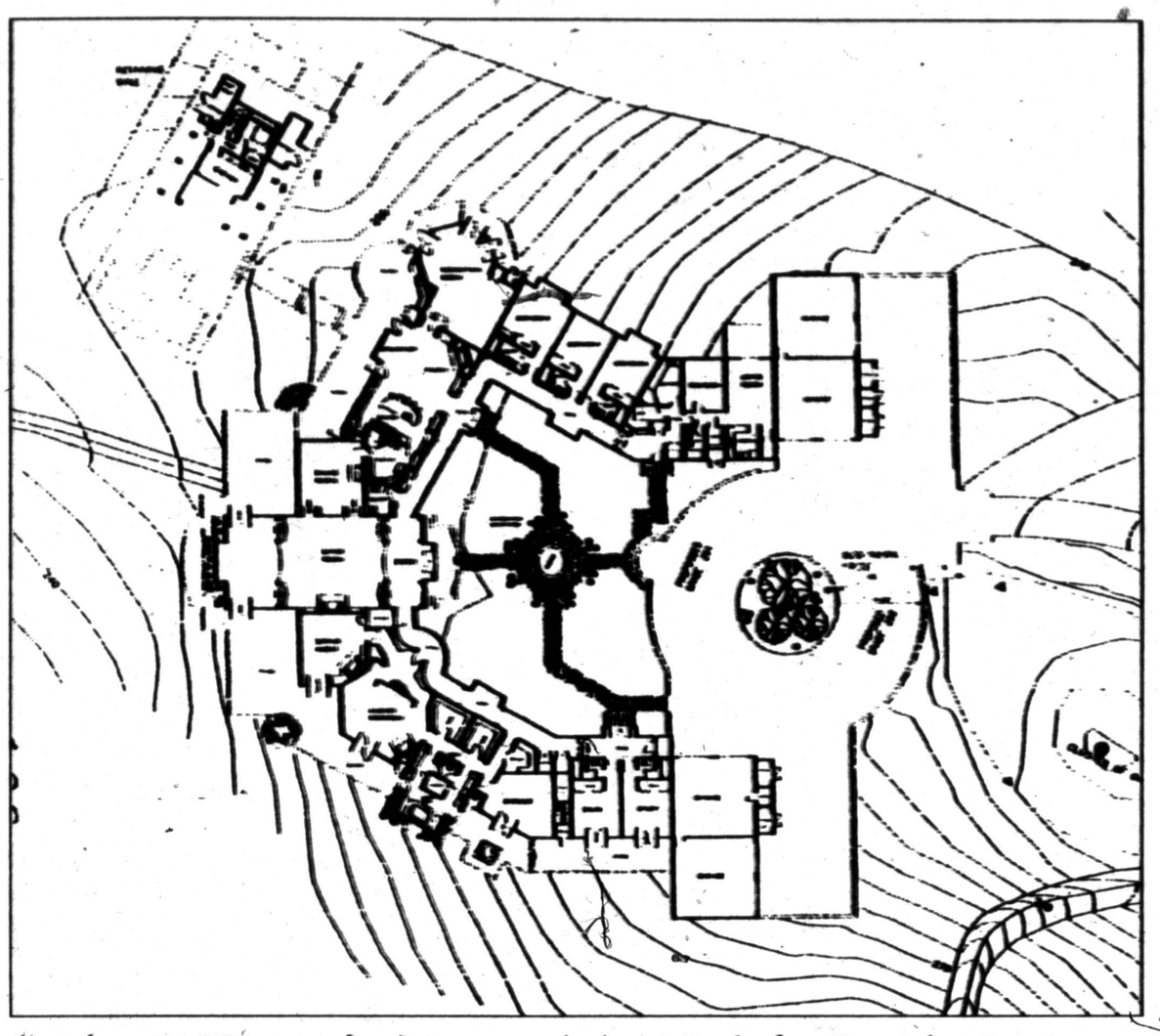
APPEAL OF HOME ABOVE POINT LOBOS DENIED

By MARY BROWNFIELD

COUNTY SUPERVISORS this week thanked Phillip and Betsy Bliss for scaling back their plans for a home in the mountains east of Point Lobos and — despite objections from the Big Sur Land Trust, the California Department of Parks and Recreation and the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club — approved the home on a 3 to 1 vote.

The home, on a mountain 2.5 miles from

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Plans for a 14,000-square-foot home on a ridgeline 2.5 miles from Point Lobos State Reserve were modified by the applicants after objections were raised by the Big Sur Land Trust and the California Parks Department. The modified plans were approved this week.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
of MARCIA CAROLINE MILLS
Case Number MP 14804

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARCIA CAROLINE MILLS.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DONALD G. FREEMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DONALD G. FREEMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests that the decedent will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on February 4, 2000 at 9:00 a.m., in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner: P.O. Box 805, Carmel, CA 93921. (831) 624-5339.

(s) Donald G. Freeman

Publication dates: Jan. 14, 21, 28 2000. (PC116)

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Realtor Alex Yeager exploring the wonders of Carmel Beach with his son *Sage*

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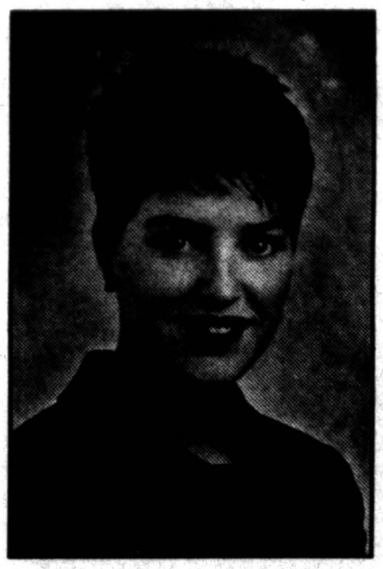
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Old Republic Title would like to welcome the newest addition to our Carmel Office. Tobi Langford comes to us from San Mateo County. She carries ten years of escrow experience with her, and is more than prepared to work in a market like ours. She's seen the refinance booms come and go, and sales in Burlingame, Hillsborough and Woodside go up and up. Due to the hectic pace of the Bay Area business, she has seen much of the personal attention once devoted to the clients lost. Tobi shares the same philosophy that the staff at Old Republic Title adheres to, individual service. We are proud to have Tobi as part of our staff, and she looks forward to building the kind of relationships that make this business so special.

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have little growth potential and increasing numbers of affluent buyers desire our properties.

The spurt in prices makes the Peninsula appear to be very pricey now. Down the road a bit, however, year 2000 prices may appear like bargains just as 1995 prices look to us now. For those who can afford it, Monterey Peninsula real estate is still, in stock market terms, a strong buy.

Distribution of Sales -4th Quarter 1999

Town	Under $200	$200 $299	$300 $399	$400 $499	$500 $599	$600 $999	One+ Mlns
Carmel	0	0	8	7	14	15	25
Carmel Valley	1	0	6	3	5	15	8
Del Rey Oaks	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Marina	1	11	8	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	4	10	11	5	8	1
Pacific Grove	0	9	13	13	5	5	1
Pebble Beach	0	0	0	3	4	17	16
Salinas Hwy	0	3	15	8	8	14	2
Seaside	10	19	3	0	0	0	0
South Coast	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
	12	47	64	45	41	76	55

Monterey Peninsula
Gross Dollar Volume 1998 & 1999

	1998	1999
Carmel	$193,501,000	$256,438,000
Carmel Valley	$112,962,000	$104,426,000
Del Rey Oaks	$4,018,000	$1,502,000
Marina	$22,114,000	$22,095,000
Monterey	$58,522,000	$82,026,000
Pacific Grove	$59,543,000	$76,138,000
Pebble Beach	$156,221,000	$197,707,000
Salinas Highway	$74,828,000	$93,280,000
Seaside	$29,576,000	$31,587,000
South Coast	$28,060,000	$33,014,000
Total	$739,345,000	$898,213,000

PUBLIC NOTICES PUBLIC NOTICES PUBLIC NOTICES

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY
will be accepting applications for the
Section 8 Housing Assistance Program
and for the
Section 8 Welfare to Work Rental Voucher Program
on **January 14, 2000**
and **January 21, 2000**
at the
Salinas Community Center,
940 N. Main Street,
Salinas,
from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
For more information call:
424-2892
or 649-1541

(PC101) Jan. 7, 14, 2000

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 992358. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **PACIFIC BELL PCS STORE; PCSS SMART MART,** 400 Del Monte Center, Monterey, CA 93940. WESTERN STATES WIRELESS L.L.C., STATE OF DELAWARE, 830 North Meacham Rd., Schaumburg, Illinois 60173. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. (s) James LyBrand, General Manager. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 29, 1998. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 13, 1999. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 1999, Jan. 7, 14, 2000. (PC1209)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992386. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **CARMEL STYLE,** Lincoln 2nd SE of Fifth St., Carmel, CA 93921. JOHN UNDERDOWN, Randall & Fifth, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) John Underdown. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 1, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 15, 1999. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 1999, Jan. 7, 14, 2000. (PC1211)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992292. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CONSULTING - CARLSBERG INTERNATIONAL,** 515 Loma Alta, Carmel, CA 93923.. RICKEY BARTON CARLSBERG, 515 Loma Alta, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) RICKEY BARTON CARLSBERG. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 10, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 1, 1999. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 1999, Jan. 7, 14, 2000. (PC1212)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992403. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **THE JADE TRADE,** Cape San Martine, Big Sur, CA 93921. PHILIP P. SHAPTER, P.O. Box 223398 (at the Forge in the Barnyard), Carmel, CA 93922. This business is conducted by a general partnership. (s) PHILIP P. SHAPTER. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 1, 2000. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 20, 1999. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 1999, Jan. 7, 14, 2000. (PC1213)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992415. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **PIONEER TOURS,** 2600 Garden Road #238, Monterey, CA 93940. LUIS E. CHINCHILLA, 5200 Coe Ave. #5200, Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Luis E. Chinchilla. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 10, 1993. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 21, 1999. Publication dates: Dec. 31, 1999, Jan. 7, 14, 21, 2000. (PC1214)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. F981299. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **CONSIGN THIS,** 842 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93940. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on July 7, 1998. MARY KATALEEN BRUSUELAS, 777 Bayview, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. RICHARD ANDREW WULF, 7067 N. Teilman, Fresno, CA 93711. EDWARD JOSEPH GALLO, 777 Bayview, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business was conducted by a general partnership. (s) Richard Wulf. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC102).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992338. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **CONSIGN THIS,** 842 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93940. RICHARD A. WULF, 214 Asilomar Blvd., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Richard A. Wulf. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on January 1, 2000. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC103)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F99250. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ANIMATION ART RESOURCES,** 24438 San Mateo Ave., Carmel, CA 93923. SUSAN MARILYN SPIEGEL, 24438 San Mateo Ave., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Susan Spiegel Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on June 15, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 29, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC105)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992379. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **HELLAM'S TOBACCO SHOP,** 423 Alvarado St., Monterey, CA 93940. CENTRAL COAST TOBACCO, LLC (California), 17430 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. (s) Gene Palermo. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on December 14, 1999. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 15, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC106)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. F950251. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name **BREAKWATER COVE MARKET AND DELICATESSEN,** 32 Cannery Row, Monterey, CA 93940. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on February 7, 1995. BART J. BRUNO, 863 Del Monte, Pacific Grove, CA 93950; MICHAEL S. MAIORANA, 719 Cypress, Monterey, CA 93940; CHARLES A. PICCUTA, 1480 Deer Flat Road, Monterey, CA 93940. This business was conducted by a limited partnership. (s) Michael S. Maiorana This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 27, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC107).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992428. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **BREAKWATER COVE MARKET AND DELICATESSEN,** 32 Cannery Row, Monterey, CA 93940. SCOTT P. CASEY, 1018 Waring Street, Seaside, CA 93955; KAREN L. CASEY, 1018 Waring Street, Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. (s) Scott P. Casey. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 27, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2000. (PC108)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F992422. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **MUSIC BOXES OF CARMEL; FRENCH HOUSE ANTIQUES OF CARMEL; MUSIC BOXES & FRENCH HOUSE ANTIQUES OF CARMEL,** Southeast Corner of Ocean Ave. & San Carlos St., PO Box 6394, Carmel, CA 93921. MUSIC BOXES OF CARMEL, INC. (A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION), Southeast Corner of Ocean Ave. & San Carlos St., PO Box 6394, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on June 9, 1999. (s) Carl Sigg, President & CEO, Music Boxes of Carmel, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 22, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2000. (PC110)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20000028. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **BREHENEY-ROW INTERACTIVE MEDIA SERVICES,** 551 Hannon Avenue, Monterey, CA 93940. JEAN MATTHIAS BREHENEY, 1010-4 Pacific Grove Ln., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. WILLIAM H. ROW, 551 Hannon Ave., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by co-partners. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2000. (s) Jean Matthias Breheney. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 5, 2000. Publication dates: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2000. (PC111)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 992424. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **SEASONS IN CARMEL,** Vizcaino at Flanders, Carmel, CA 93921. DENISE J. BORSELLA, Vizcaino at Flanders, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2000. (s) Denise Borsella. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 23, 1999. Publication dates: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2000. (PC112)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, January 26, 2000. The public hearing will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. DS 99-27, RE 99-31, HR 99-13
Mr. Paul Sivas
SW corner of Ocean &
San Antonio
Block C1, Lot(s) 1
Consideration of applications for the demolition of a one-story single family residence and the construction of a new two-story residence in the R-1 District.

2. DS 99-40, RE 99-32
Mr. Bill Campbell
W/s Dolores btwn 8th & 9th
Block 95, Lot(s) 15 &
portion of 13
Consideration of Design Study and Design Review applications for the demolition of an existing single-family residence and the construction of a new two-story residence in the R-1 District.

3. DS 99-48, UP 99-29
Ms. Tina Bertuccio
E/s Scenic btwn 8th & 9th
Block A1/A2,
Lot(s) Pt. of lots 1 & 10
Consideration of Design Study and Use Permit applications for a bar sink and a substantial alteration in excess of 25% of the value of a non-conforming single-family residence in the R-1 Land Use District.

4. DS 99-68, Re 99-58, EA 99-1
Mr. William Shellooe
W/s San Antonio: E/s Scenic
btwn 11th & 12th
Block A4, Lot(s) 9 & portion of 8
Consideration of a Design Study application for the construction of a new two-story single family residence located in the R-1/Beach Overlay District.

Planning Commission
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Karen Crouch
Planning Commission Secretary
Publication dates: Jan. 14, 2000
(PC113)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20000063. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **FEEL GOLF CO.; PGP, LLC,** 25943 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908. PROFESSIONAL GOLF PROPERTIES, LLC, CALIFORNIA,25943 Deer Run Lane, Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on July 1, 1999. (s) R. Lee Miller, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 10, 2000. Publication dates: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2000. (PC114)

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL RETURN
Pursuant to Section 6104(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, notice is hereby given that the annual returns of the calendar year 1999 of: **Addison Posey Trust 110935; Charles Hughes Wait Testamentary Trust 138384** private foundations, are available at the foundations' principal office for inspection during regular business hours, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., by any citizen who so requests within 180 days after the date of this publication. The foundations' principal office is located at: WELLS FARGO BANK, 26611 Carmel Center Place, Carmel, CA 93923. The Principal manager of the foundation is: WELLS FARGO BANK (408) 624-1522.
Publication dates: Jan. 14, 2000. (PC115).

Trustee Sale No. 600520 Loan No. 7256344107 Title Order No. 29922993-T25 Notice of Trustee's Sale You are in default under a Deed of Trust dated 03/08/1996. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceedings against you, you should contact a lawyer. On 01/27/2000 at 1:30pm, California Reconveyance Company successor by merger to Serrano Reconveyance Company as the duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on 03/19/1996, Instrument 16329, Book 3348, Page 18 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, executed by: James E Butler and Diane S Butler, husband and wife, as Trustor, Coast Federal Bank, Federal Savings Bank, as Beneficiary will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the financial code and authorized to do business in this state) will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter, described property under and pursuant the deed of trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the deed of trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the trustee for the amount (at the time of the initial publication of the notice of sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: at the north wing main entrance to the Monterey County Courthouse 240 Church St, Salinas CA Legal Description: as more fully described in said deed of trust. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: $528,852.79 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 26005 Ned Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924 APN 416-063-005-000 The undersigned trustee dis-claims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". Date: 12/30/1999 California Reconveyance Company, successor by merger to Serrano Reconveyance Company, as Trustee 9301 Corbin Avenue-N .03 02 04 Northridge, CA 91324 (916) 387-7728 or (714) 573-1965 By: Deborah Brignac, Vice President P128988 1/7 1/14 1/21/00

Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 2000. (PC109)

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BLISS

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the state park and bordered on two sides by public land, was reduced from 14,110 to 11,617 square feet and relocated to the side of a gently sloping hill, rather than on the ridge line, according to the Blisses' attorney, Anthony Lombardo.

"Only 56 feet of roof over the master bedroom are visible," he said, "and you need binoculars even to see that much. You cannot see the house with the naked eye."

In a letter to the board, Big Sur Land Trust Executive Director Zad Leavy disagreed, maintaining that, despite the changes, the home would still be visible to the naked eye from Point Lobos and that it would "constitute a significant precedent" for further development in the Point Lobos area.

In the past, the land trust has stayed out of permit disputes to avoid creating ill will among property owners who otherwise might be inclined to preserve some of their land. But Leavy said the land trust reserved "the right to undertake further appeals."

Supervisors weren't discouraged by Leavy's objections and approved the project with Dave Potter as the sole dissenter.

The approval included a specific finding that the permit, under state law, was not appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

A last-minute letter from coastal commission staffer Tami Grove said that the project could be appealable to the commission. But Acting County Counsel Adrienne Grover said the coastal commission did not have jurisdiction because the Bliss house was so far from the ocean and was not adjacent to any streams, wetlands or sensitive habitats.

Lombardo assured the board the home would not be built near sensitive areas, and that the Blisses have no plans to widen the road from the property to Highway 1.

Supervisor Judy Pennycook, who moved approval of the project, praised the Bliss family for its patience and willingness to work with the appellants and the county to resolve the issues raised by the appeal.

"I would like to say that we appreciate your work with the community," Pennycook said. "The effort that you have undergone is applaudable."

Potter concurred, though he proposed continuing the application until any conflicts with the coastal commission, of which he is a member, could be resolved.

But board chair Lou Calcagno, a former coastal commissioner, disagreed and voted with the majority. "I feel strongly that the California Coastal Commission is chasing a dead horse" in trying to assert the right to appeal the project, he said. "In cases like this, the applicant always wins. It costs the applicant, it costs the county and it costs the state. This applicant has bent over backwards almost to the point of falling down. Let's hope we get it nailed down today."

The Bliss house was lowered so that only a small section of roof will be visible through binoculars from Point Lobos, according to the family's attorney, Anthony Lombardo.

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know what had happened.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman reported that on or about 12/21/99 at 0900 hours, she found the garage door open to the house on Scenic where she works as a gardener. She checked the interior and did not notice anything missing. She secured the garage door and left.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person at Devendorf Park was threatening to break another person's nose and lunged toward him. He was pulled away by an officer prior to any contact. The other refused to press charges for assault, stating they were just playing around. Advised that this was improper "playing" in public.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of possible fraud committed at an Ocean Avenue business. Retailer may have been given a fraudulent cashier's check.

Carmel area: Baker's Square manager reported hearing a humming sound coming from inside the restaurant. Unable to determine the cause of the noise.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a vehicle fire at Fourth and

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Dolores. Upon arrival, CFD personnel were in the process of extinguishing the fire. Fire originated in engine compartment and spread to passenger area. Vehicle towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman who organizes the annual book sale at the Scout House reported that the basement was organized and secured on 11/24/99 and not due to be reentered until 1/4/00. When she opened the door, she found several boxes of books out of their places. She noted that there are several keys to the basement and several people have them. Nothing was taken. Strange! Very strange!

Carmel area: Daughter reported that her mother might be on a drinking binge. Discovered this was true after doing a welfare check. The mother, age 67, was taken to CHOMP for treatment.

Carmel Valley: Ridge Way resident hit someone in the head with his fist. No prosecution desired.

Carmel area: Woman reported that an unknown transient in the Crossroads Safeway parking lot hit the top of her car, possibly with his hand, denting the car. No prosecution desired.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Green Toyota 4Runner seen stuck on the beach at Del Mar. Driver was advised regarding municipal code on driving on the beach. He was able to drive it off.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a loud hot tub at Guadalupe and Second. Upon arrival there was no noise. The owner was contacted and advised that the tub was off. He said it would be run at earlier hours.

Carmel area: Contacted a man at the Carmel Highlands Chevron station after he was seen looking into the office. He reported he forgot his fanny pack in the restroom. All of his money, travelers checks and credit cards were in the fanny pack. The station owner responded and returned the fanny pack to the man.

Carmel Valley: An employee at a realty company reported that a man was irate and was demanding that a security deposit be returned. It was explained to both parties that it was a civil matter.

Big Sur: An Atascadero resident was on a day hike on the Cruickshank Trail when he became separated from his wife, son and daughter. His family hiked out of the forest a short while later.

Carmel area: An Indian activist opposed to the development of Rancho San Carlos was found trespassing on the property by the ranch operations manager. This was the second time this individual was found trespassing on the property. The individual left without incident and was told that the sheriff's department would be summoned for any future violations, and prosecution requested.

Big Sur: Man reported someone smashed a window on his unattended vehicle while it was parked at a vista point. Numerous items were removed, including clothing, a TV, watches and miscellaneous personal items.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two dogs inside a building at Dolores and Seventh were reported barking for more than 30 minutes, disturbing the galleries. Contacted owner upon arrival. Warning given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman came to the station to report a problem with a man. She teaches dance lessons at MPC and has used him as a guitarist. When she told him his service wasn't needed anymore, he became verbally abusive and called her several times on the phone. She wanted him contacted and told to leave her alone. Spoke with him, and conveyed her concerns. He understood and denied the allegation. He assured that he would not contact her again, either in person or on the phone.

Big Sur: The Coast Guard reported there was a fishing boat sinking at Shipwreck Beach, near Pfeiffer Point. Two occupants of the boat were rescued by a nearby boat. A third person on the boat could not be found as the boat sank in 50 feet of water. Sheriff's divers responded and located a dead body inside the cabin. The coroner's office is investigating.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Advised a man to lower the volume of his music and stop yelling. He complied.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: San Carlos gas station reported the theft of two packs of cigarettes with a value of $10. Only sus-

Cypress Inn renovation specifics approved

THE FINAL details for the Cypress Inn expansion made it past the Carmel Planning Commission Jan. 12 when commissioners unanimously approved plans for lighting, pavers, paint color, awnings and landscaping.

"The part that's fun is the public right-of-way," City Planner Chip Rerig told the commission. "We're getting a new sidewalk out of this and all new street trees. They are replacing the existing trees with Cypress trees — they should fit in well with the Cypress Inn — and are getting rid of the boxed trees and that dying ginkgo."

The addition will contain six rooms and some "undesignated commercial space," which might be used for a restaurant, and was included as part of a comprehensive historic preservation/renovation project created by the Cypress Inn investors and approved by the commission in August 1999.

There was no discussion at the meeting of any plans for a new restaurant in the building.

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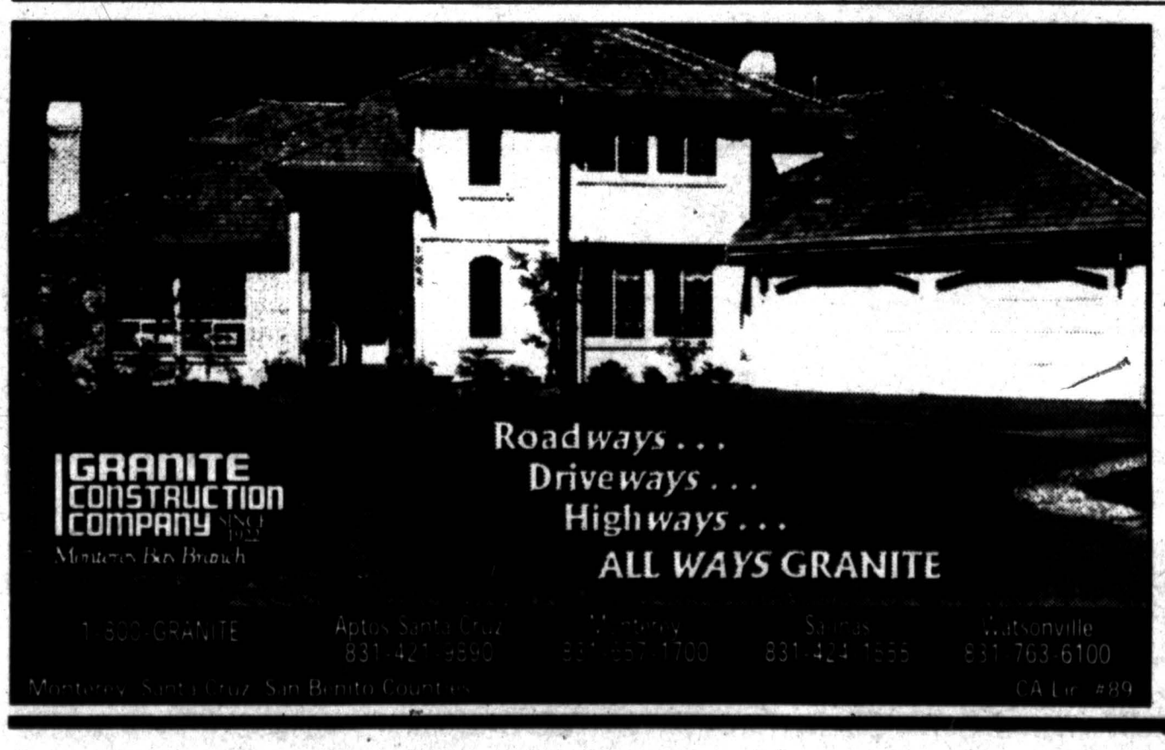
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pect information is a male in his early to mid-20s who left in a white SUV in an unknown direction. The employee stated he gave the suspect the packs of cigarettes while another person went to the bank to get the money to pay for them: The employee went into the garage area to restock, and when he returned, the suspect was gone, leaving no money. He waited 20 minutes to report it in case the suspect returned. The area was checked with negative results. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of the "largest moving truck ever seen" knocking down tree limbs on Dolores and First. Area checked, gone upon arrival.

Pebble Beach: Pebble Beach Security officer placed three people under citizen's arrest for trespassing at Pescadero Point, where they were fishing. All were cited and released.

Pebble Beach: San Carlos resident reported someone entered his unlocked car and took several items. The suspect also entered another car and took a cell phone.

Carmel Valley: Responded with Fish and Game in reference to an injured deer on La Via Gitana. The deer was subsequently dispatched by Fish and Game.

Carmel Valley: Woman requested the sheriff's department stand by while her granddaughter moved items out of her grandmother's Horizon Way residence.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a vehicle blocking a driveway at Mission and Seventh. Vehicle towed and stored by Monterey Garage.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person observed riding his bike without proper reflectors attached to the bike. He was going home after leaving a friend's house and was advised of the vehicle code regarding bike reflectors.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver reported to possibly be DUI. Vehicle stopped and evaluated. Had not been drinking. The driver was lost and was not paying attention.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a report of a domestic dispute. Upon contacting both parties, it was determined that both were in disagreement over visitation issues regarding their son. It began when one arrived to pick up his son, which is part of a prearranged schedule between both parties. Counseled on possible actions to resolve their disagreement.

Pebble Beach: Man reported losing his wallet while he was staying at Spanish Bay.

Pebble Beach: Woman turned in a gold and diamond earring she found while walking on 17 Mile Drive near Point Joe.

Pebble Beach: During a check of three vehicles parked on the shoulder of Sherman Road, a bong was discovered. The bong was in a vehicle driven by a 20-year-old Pebble Beach resident. The bong was confiscated and the incident documented for his probation officer.

Carmel area: Transient found living near the Carmel River bridge. He was arrested and transported to jail for illegal lodging.

Carmel area: Whitman Circle resident reported having a civil problem with her landlord.

Pebble Beach: Sunset Lane resident reported that someone had entered his garage during the night and broke into his van by smashing a rear window. Several items were taken. There are no suspects at this time.

Carmel area: Rio Road resident reported an unknown male adult jumped from the balcony of her neighbor's apartment. Her neighbor was not home, and no one should be at the residence. Entry was not gained and nothing appeared to be missing.

Carmel Valley: Laguna Robles resident reported seeing an elderly male taking a nap in his car in the park near his house. Gone upon arrival.

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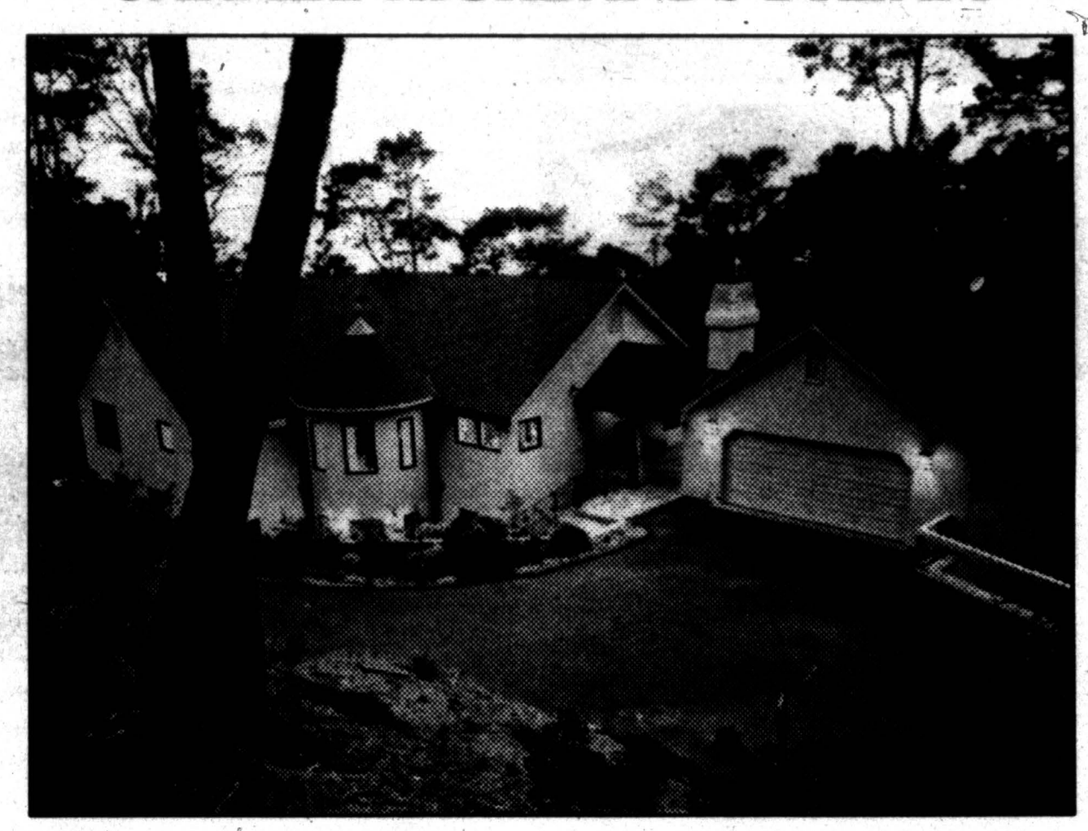
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NEAR SURF AND SAND! Fantastic location in Carmel Meadows within an easy walk to the beach and oceanside. Light and airy with 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, an ocean view from the dining room, very nice hardwood floors and floor plan. Private rear yard with lawn, rose gardens and brick patio. Property to be sold in "as is" condition. $739,500.



A RARE FIND! This charming and private Carmel Village hide-a-way is in a wonderful setting only steps to town. The eleven-year-old home with 2 bedrooms and 2 baths offers vaulted cathedral ceilings, two fireplaces, dual-pane windows throughout, hardwood floors in both the kitchen and dining area, and French doors off the private master suite. $829,000.

BRAND NEW + VIEWS! Fabulous Point Lobos views from this brand new multi-level Mission-style home with elevator. Features include 3 bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, two Carmel-stone fireplaces, hi-tech sound system, marble throughout the bathrooms, hand-plastered interior and separate guest quarters. Outside there are over 1000 sq. ft. of decks and patios. $1,395,000.

GREAT LOCATION! Introducing a wonderful new home in a prestigious "South of Ocean" neighborhood! Just steps to charming downtown shops and only blocks to the beach is this new (presently under construction) 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath ocean-view cottage. This well-designed about 1600 sq. ft.spacious masterpiece features many custom finishes. Large living room, separate dining area, ocean-view master bedroom with Jacuzzi, deck and fireplace. $1,595,000.

BAYVIEW PRIVACY! Private 5-acre knoll-top with sweeping Monterey Bay views from Monterey to Santa Cruz. The main house of about 1900 sq.ft. features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, a combined kitchen/family room, & deck. The separate guest house is a relaxing retreat for your guests. Discover the privacy of this wonderful Jacks Peak property, yet convenient to just about everything on the Peninsula. $1,750,000.



A RARE FIND! What would be nicer than owning a classic Carmel-style 3-bedroom, 3-bath home only a short walk to Carmel Beach and town? Well-maintained with about 2000 sq. ft. of living area with some ocean views and even a peek of Pebble Beach's 10th fairway! Plus a great deck for entertaining. A well-priced home in today's market! $1,595,000.

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VALLEY VIEWS AND PRIVACY! Rare opportunity! This is a terrific home on the sunny side of the valley and sited on a very private lot with views that extend towards the coast. The floor plan is well designed for easy living. Four bedrooms, 2-1/2 bath, family room with a fireplace, two-car garage and more. Entertaining is a breeze with a formal dining room and a large patio for afternoon barbecues. $575,000.



COUNTRY ESTATE! Off Rancho Road, with about 4300 sq. ft. on .9 acres. High ceilings, large rooms, tiled entry and marble fireplaces accentuate this 4-bedroom, 4-1/2-bath home. Huge family room has fireplace with built-in gas BBQ. Fabulous master suite, with his and hers full bathrooms and wet bar. "To die for" gourmet kitchen with breakfast room overlooking fenced pool and patio. Formal dining room. Horses OK. $995,000.

TURN KEY CONDITION! Enjoy beautiful views, west to distant ocean, east to Cacaghua. Quiet country living in this 3-bedroom, 2-bath, 2000 sq.ft. home. Nestled on top of a hill in a gated community with a tennis court!. Features include tile floors, second fireplace in master bedroom, spacious family room and kitchen. Back deck for entertaining. $595,000.

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SPECTACULAR VIEWS! This hilltop estate on approximately 2.5 acres has expansive windows for spectacular views of the bay and Salinas Valley! This traditional 3-bedroom, 3-bath home features a separate dining room and family room. The in-law quarters above the two-car garage are in addition to the separate senior home that is so private, you'll think it belongs to a neighbor. $895,000.



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CAPE COD DREAM! There is great potential in this rare, oceanfront property features dramatic white-water views in a private area. This charming Cape Cod home with historical status features 3 bedrooms and 1-1/2 baths. It has two lots of record of about 6000 sq. ft. each. $1,449,000.

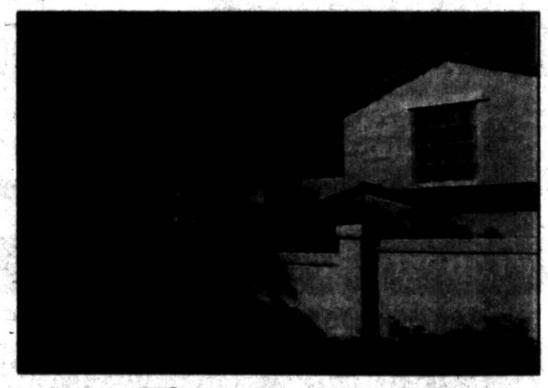
PEBBLE BEACH



BAY & CITY-LIGHT VIEWS! Built with the family in mind, this spacious, light and open home boasts 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, open-beam ceilings and bay & city-light views. Freshly painted inside and out, it has a new roof and a new driveway. This upper Pebble Beach property invites you to move right in! $484,000.

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